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A Rockefeller - Goldwater Ticket in 1964?

By Phoebe Courtney, Editor

On January 11th, the WALL STREET JOURNAL published lengthy excerpts from Senator Barry Goldwater's "Manifesto," which was termed "a statement of Republican principles, programs and objectives." Since then a series of behind-the-scenes maneuvers and public statements by leaders of the Republican party indicate a definite shifting of ground on the part of Senator Goldwater from his position of undiluted Conservatism to a new doctrine of "progressive Conservatism" which bears an increasing resemblance to a "middle-of-the-road" philosophy.

On January 23rd, commenting on the Goldwater "Manifesto," the RICHMOND (Va.) NEWS LEADER stated:

> "Although the statement has obvious kinship with Senator Goldwater's views as expressed in his best selling book, the WALL STREET JOURNAL finds in the statement a 'softening and shifting' of the Arizonian's position, an incipient Larsonism that would change Goldwater's Conservative philosophy to a campaign-spawned 'progressive Conservatism.' Certain tenets with which Senator Goldwater has identified himself are omitted from this statement, such as all mention of States Rights and Right-to-Work laws...."

On February 1st, John Temple Graves, Southern syndicated columnist wrote:

> "That charming Republican politician, Senator Dirksen, is willing to bet 'all the tea in China,' that if Rockefeller is Republican nominee in 1964, Goldwater will support him. This, by way of showing the deep fundamental harmony of Republicans. This column, for its part, will bet all the chicken feathers in Cuba that if Goldwater accepted Rockefeller, it would be the end of (1) Goldwater, (2) Rockefeller, and (3) the Republican party."

One week later, on February 8th, Senator Goldwater, in a United Press dispatch, stated, "I do not seek nor want to be the Republican presidential candidate in 1964." Senator Goldwater then invited Richard Nixon to commit hari-kari by running for Governor of California in 1962. Senator Goldwater could have given Mr. Nixon far kinder advice had he suggested that Mr. Nixon consult with Mr. Knowland as to what happens to a Conservative who runs for Governor of California after deserting his Conservative principles.

Now that Mr. Nixon has been neatly disposed of, the scene switches back to the East Coast, where Senator Styles Bridges, top-ranking Republican Senator, and powerful long-time chairman of the Republican Policy Committee has had some second thoughts about the 1960 election and has decided to jettison Mr. Nixon as a potential contender for the G.O.P. 1964 nomination.

According to an article by the syndicated columnists Robert S. Allen and Paul Scott of February 24th, Senator Styles Bridges believes that Senator Barry Goldwater and Nixon will have little chance of getting anywhere in 1964 if, as Senator Bridges says, "Rockefeller wins big in 1962 (when Rockefeller comes up for re-election as Governor of New York), and I believe he will."

Then, according to Robert S. Allen and Paul Scott, Senator Styles Bridges said, "I am a practical man, and I want to win in 1964. I am convinced Rockefeller has the qualifications and popular appeal the Republican party needs to win back the presidency. He and I differ on a number of questions, but I am practical, and I want to win."

Senator Styles Bridges, when making the above statements on February 24th apparently felt that he would encounter no opposition to his endorsement of Rockefeller from Senator Barry Goldwater, author of THE CONSCIENCE OF A CONSERVATIVE, for the following reason: On January 29, only in the home edition we are informed, there appeared an article in the NEW YORK TIMES entitled "Judd Says G.O.P. Lost By Frauds," which gave a report of the speakers at a luncheon of the Women's National Republican Club. Toward the end of this article, which gives an old re-hash of the past election, there appeared two paragraphs which will doubtless come as a sad shock to a number of Goldwater's staunchest admirers. States the NEW YORK TIMES of January 29:

> "Governor Rockefeller, in introducing Senator Goldwater, said that 'all Americans know the importance of the role that Barry Goldwater played at the Republican National Convention last summer in helping the party to close ranks for the contest ahead.'
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> "The Senator in turn praised Governor Rockefeller as 'a beacon of courage to other governors across the nation for not fearing to raise taxes when the state needed it. He (Senator Goldwater) also called for the re-election of Governor Rockefeller in 1962."

No one can under-rate Senator Goldwater's political "savvy." He knows, as does Senator Styles Bridges, that by calling for the re-election of Governor Rockefeller in 1962, they (Bridges and Goldwater) virtually assure Rockefeller's nomination as Republican candidate for President in 1964.

Interesting to note, in Governor Rockefeller's introduction of Senator Goldwater at this luncheon meeting of the Women's National Republican Club, is the fact that Rockefeller publicly recognized Goldwater's assistance in 1960 in, as Rockefeller put it, "helping the party to close ranks."

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN does not believe that it is going too far out on a limb when it predicts that Goldwater's energetic services in "closing ranks" in the Republican Party will be rewarded by the offer of the vice-presidency on the 1964 Republican ticket headed by Nelson Rockefeller.

Let's wait and see!

PUT HONESTLY, IT WOULDN'T PASS

(Reprinted from CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS)

Suppose somebody got up in Congress and introduced a bill providing that all employers must raise prices to consumers, lay off workers and buy more foreign goods. It is hardly likely that such a bill would receive a single vote, because it would immediately be recognized as grossly detrimental to the economy and all the people.

Ane yet President Kennedy recently proposed to Congress as an "anti-recession" measure legislation which would force employers to do every one of these things. And disturbingly enough, it is being seriously considered. The proposal is the President's plan for jacking up the minimum wage from $1 to $1.25 an hour.

Proponents of raising the Federal minimum wage embrace the woefully fallacious theory that legislating higher wages will aid the economy by giving people more money to spend. They fail to consider that higher wages don't help when they force prices up even higher or when they force people out of jobs so that they can receive no wages at all. (Editor's note: Write your Congressman today to vote against the raising of the minimum wage from $1.00)

UNNECESSARY - UNCONSTITUTIONAL

The Dangers Of Federal Aid To Education

(Reprinted from CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS

President Kennedy began his "education message" recently with a general statement that was sound: "Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education. Our requirements for world leadership, our hopes for economic growth, and the demands of citizenship itself in an era such as this all require the maximum development of every young American's capacity." He will find nationwide approval of that much of what he had to say. But he went on to propose a program that is unconstitutional, beyond his responsibility, economically unsound and unnecessary.

Marking out the general outline of a proposal for 5.6 billion dollars of spending for "Federal aid to education," Mr. Kennedy said: "Without such measures, the Federal Government will not be carrying out its responsibilities for expanding the base of our economic and military strength."

The Federal Government does have certain responsibilities regarding our economy. The Federal Government has primary responsibility for our military defense. But search the Constitution of the United States with a fine tooth comb and a magnifying glass and you will be unable to find any Federal responsibility--or Federal right of intervention--in the field of education. Specifically, you will find a reservation of power which clearly prohibits the Federal Government from the field of education, leaving it to the States and to the people.

Why is this? The Federal Government was meant to be kept out of education, for the sake of freedom.

The President was careful to claim that "education must remain a matter of State and local control, and higher education a matter of individual choice." And then he added a "but." Before his message was over, he not only had introduced the first suggestion of Federal control, but coupled it with an implied threat. Here was the President, without constitutional right to intervene in education, telling each State what it should do: "Each State will be expected to maintain its own effort or contribution, and every State whose effort is below the national average will be expected to increase that proportion of its income which is devoted to public elementary and secondary education."

And standing in the wings, Mr. Kennedy's man Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, could not avoid hint of more control. Asked about the use of Federal aid to force racial integration, Mr. Ribicoff demurred, urging that we avoid "any side ssues" and then see about the other later--after it is too late. And Mr. Kennedy's partisan Rep. Adam Clayton Powell was announcing he would seek to tack onto the "aid" program a requirement that funds be banned to non-integrated schools.

These indicate some of the basic and fundamental faults, threats and outright unconstitutional provisions of the program. But there is grave economic error, too.

In the first place, the 5.6 billion dollars for the proposed programs in the next three to five years won't be "free." Mr. Kennedy says the budget is now in the red. To spend 5.6 billion dollars more would require more than that amount in new taxes on the people. He didn't say where he expects to raise the money. New Federal taxes would mean the people would have less money on State and local level to apply to their schools.

Furthermore, the education "crisis" with the implication that it is not being met is a product of propaganda rather than fact. Without Federal aid, local authorities have built 690,000 classrooms since World War II and have raised the pay of teachers 99.8 per cent while the cost of living was rising only 23.6 per cent. In two decades, school enrollment has increased 43 per cent while school funds locally provided were rising 185 per cent. And the increase in enrollment from 1958 to 1970 is expected to be only 28 to 30 per cent -- less than in the immediate past, meaning local authorities which have been meeting needs during time of maximum increase can make even further progress without Federal intervention. And leading college educators frankly declare there is no college crisis, that the "panic" over lack of availability of college acceptance is a misconception.

Education is a primary American concern. It has general and enthusiastic support from almost every individual, group, party or faction. Educational needs can best be met by not violating the Constitution, by not embarking upon an uneconomic Federal program for which new taxes would be necessary, by not imposing Federal control or threat of it--but by leaving the responsibility where the Constitution leaves it, with the States and local governments and the people, who through loving concern for the rich resource of their children will continue to meet the need with rapidly increasing progress, as they have shown in the past few years that they are capable of doing.

As Simple As A - B - C

Apart from the world unrest, hijacking on the high seas, threats of Communistic conquest and a hopeless nation debt...the situation facing Americans today is bright and rosy.

....unless you want to take a glimpse into the future and consider the problems of the new administration. Take, for example, just one point under fire...Federal Aid to Education.

There's something drastically lacking in the current battle over this issue. The spendthrifts who want to subsidize our schools don't explain how the schools will operate.

Shucks. That's easy. By 1968 the school superintendent would do it this way:

Parent: "My child says the cafeteria food is bad."

Superintendent: "Why tell me? Write the Secretary of Agriculture."

Parent: "How come my boy was kept after school for throwing spitballs?"

Superintendent: "Detention for spitballing was upheld by the Supreme Court in U.S. vs. Joyner, May, 1967."

Janitor: "I want a raise."

Superintendent: "No problem, just call your Congressman."

Teacher: "Can I order some new history books?"

Superintendent: "Not in this election year."

Parent: "How long is Christmas vacation this year?"

Superintendent: "Did you vote in the last election?"

Principal: "Where are the erasers, chalk and pencils I ordered?"

Superintendent: "You'll have to wait. Military appropriations were increased last month."

Proud Father: "Look, My boy Scott is awfully smart. Could he skip first grade?"

Superintendent: "Is he a Republican or a Democrat?"

(Reprinted from the AMARILLO (Texas) CITIZEN)

"Convention Of Conservatives" To Be Held In Chicago

By Kent Courtney, Publisher

An Associated Press story of March 1, 1961, by Jack Bell stated: "Senator Styles Bridges (R-N.H.) said today Republicans are trying to amend - but not stall - President Kennedy's New Frontier legislative program." Jack Bell then went on to quote Senator Styles Bridges as saying, "All we are trying to do is to correct some basic weaknesses in the legislation the President has proposed."

It is significant that Senator Styles Bridges, long considered a leading Conservative in the Republican Party, now makes a public statement to the effect that the Republican Party will not furnish any effective opposition to Kennedy's Big Spending, "Soft-on-Communism" policies. This fact, however, comes as no surprise to thinking Conservatives of both parties throughout the nation who have long been aware that left-wing Socialists have infiltrated the key positions in both the Democrat and Republican parties.

TIME FOR CONSERVATIVES TO FIGHT BACK!

The only means left by which the United States can be saved from financial bankruptcy and ultimate surrender to International Communism is by mobilizing "grass roots" Conservatives throughout this nation. Articles in this issue of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN graphically point out the dangers of Kennedy's programs. Unless these programs are stopped by a "Conservative Opposition" composed of grass roots taxpayers, not only will all taxes be appreciably increased, but the U.S. will be turned into a Welfare-Socialist State with Federal control over education, housing, home finance, business, agriculture and foreign trade.

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN Newspaper invites you to attend a "Convention of Conservatives" to be held at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, April 13, 14 and 15, 1961.

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM, sponsored by THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN Newspaper, will feature a luncheon and banquet on Thursday, April 13. Among THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM speakers scheduled for Thursday, April 13 and Friday morning, April 14, are:

(1) Florence Fowler Lyons, considered by many to be the nation's leading expert on UNESCO's dangerous influence in U.S. foreign policy and in American schools;
(2) Dr. Medford Evans, noted author and lecturer
(3) Bryton Barron, author of "Inside the State Department"
(4) Dr. Melchior Palyi, noted economist and author
(5) Mr. Oscar Brinkman, Executive Director of the National Apartment House Owners' Association
(6) Mr. David Molthrop, representing the Committee for State Sovereignty, Inc.; and
(7) Two courageous labor union members, who are crusading for voluntary unionism, will represent the National Right-to-Work Committee.

The speakers listed under Nos. (5), (6) and (7) above represent business and labor groups, indicative of the increasing cooperation that can be achieved by unifying all Conservatives into one effective citizen-action force.

(Activities beginning with a luncheon on Friday, April 14, and concluding with a banquet that night, are under the sponsorship of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM, Willis E. Stone, Chairman. Details on this special session appear on page 3 of this issue).

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SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH - NEW PARTY DAY

The principal speakers at the NEW PARTY RALLY Saturday night, April 15, will be J. BRACKEN LEE, and TOM ANDERSON.

J. BRACKEN LEE, former two-term Governor of the State of Utah, was in 1959 elected Mayor of Salt Lake City as an Independent candidate, which office he presently holds.

TOM ANDERSON, publisher of FARM & RANCH Magazine, is a fearless and courageous fighter for a return to Constitutional government.

Among the speakers scheduled for "New Party Day," April 15, are:

HAROLD POESCHEL - Candidate of the Conservative Party of New Jersey for Congress in 1960;

ROBERT CLIFTON - Chairman of the Voters Independent Party of California;

DR. DOROTHY WYVELL - 1960 candidate for Congress of the Constitution Party of Texas;

We also expect to hear from spokesman representing the Independent American Party of Michigan, the States Rights Party of Louisiana, the Conservative Constitutional Movement of Montana, etc.

The purpose of this meeting is to try to bring together all sincere Conservatives who are truly interested in creating a new Conservative party that can become nationally effective in the Congressional election of 1962 and in the Presidential election of 1964.

During Saturday, New Party Day, various meetings will be held at which will be discussed subjects related to organizing new parties State-by-State, getting on the ballot, precinct organization, etc.

ATTEND THIS HISTORY-MAKING CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION

Plan now to attend this three-day "Conference of Conservatives" to be held at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 13, 14 and 15.

Long-time subscribers of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN will recall that the first NEW PARTY RALLY, which was sponsored by THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN Newspaper in Chicago during October, 1959, was attended by approximately 1200 people, from 34 States. Let's "make history" with the second NEW PARTY RALLY by showing the nation's press that a wave of Conserva-

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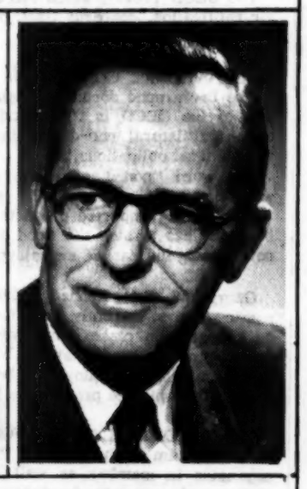
PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS AT NEW PARTY RALLY

TOM ANDERSON



J. BRACKEN LEE

SEN. STROM THURMOND BLASTS BOTH PARTIES

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 17, 1961 -- U.S. Sen. Strom Thurmond (D-SC) tonight accused the two major political parties of failing to provide adequate leadership and of succumbing to the "malady of political expediency."

In a speech to the Yale Political Union at Yale University, the South Carolina Democrat asserted that the American public is being subjected to only a superficial discussion of major public issues and that all but the most obvious implications of the issues are being camouflaged behind slogans and "Madison Avenue" type salesmanship. He decried political "me-tooism," characterizing the major parties as being either a "mulephant" or an "elemule."

Following are excerpts from Senator Thurmond's speech:

"Since confession is good for the soul, I shall begin my remarks with an admission. The first rule of public speaking is to limit your subject, and it is my intention to violate that rule tonight. I was originally requested to speak on the subject, "Where the Democratic Party is Leading the Country," but I immediately requested permission to broaden the subject to "Where the Two Major Parties are Leading the Country." Please let me assure you, however, that although the subject is doubled, the length is not.

Indeed, upon close analysis, even the double subject is not so much

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CONGRESSMAN JOHANSEN TO SPEAK AT MEETING

Directly from a man who was on the firing line during the Communist-inspired riots in San Francisco in May of 1960, those in attendance at THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM will hear a first-hand report concerning the effectiveness of the film "OPERATION ABOLITION".

Congressman August E. Johansen, Representative for the Third Congressional District of Michigan, will be the featured speaker on the morning of Saturday, April 15th, when THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM will consider the subject of the danger of Communist infiltration inside the United States and how to combat it.

Congressman Johansen, in accepting the invitation to appear at THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM, stated that he was present during the hearings held by the House Committee on Un-American Activities at San Francisco in May of 1960. He said "No amount of brainwashing is going to stop me from telling the American people that the Communists were definitely in charge of the demonstrations against the House Committee on Un-American Activities, of which I am proud to be a member."

Congressman Johansen is a life-long resident of Battle Creek, Michigan, and graduated from the University of Chicago in 1926. He is a former newspaper man and minister of the Gospel. For 10 years he was Manager of Industrial Relations of the Kellogg Company in Battle Creek. For 4 years he was editorial writer for the Battle Creek INQUIRER & NEWS. Congressman Johansen was named

August E. Johansen

Administrative Assistant to the late Congressman Paul W. Shafer in February of 1951 and served until January 1955. He was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Congressman Shafer and has been a member of the Congress since January 1955.

He will be heard at 9:30 Saturday morning following the showing of the film "OPERATION ABOLITION." Congressman Johansen will report to THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM the success of the film "OPERATION ABOLITION" in awakening Americans to the danger of Communism inside the U.S.A. You can expect a factual report of what actually went on in San Francisco and a message of inspiration as Congressman Johansen is a dedicated anti-Communist and a thorough-going American.

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OUR POLICY

This newspaper is dedicated to the defeat of Socialist and Communist influences that now pervade the thinking and the policies of our Federal government and the two major political parties. We believe that there is no difference between a New Deal Democrat and a Socialist-Internationalist Republican.

This newspaper will continue to promote all individuals and organizations who believe that a new political party based on Constitutional States Rights is the answer to the Socialism that has captured both (formerly great) parties.

We will never align ourselves with any person or group which preaches hatred. Instead we will conserve our energy for the fight against atheistic Communism, and we pledge ourselves to LOVE OF GOD AND AN INDEPENDENT U.S.A.

OUR THANKS

Because we are political and "controversial" we have no advertising income. We therefore thank all of our readers who send donations every week so that more and more sample copies can be sent to patriots throughout the country. Without this regular support, this experiment in patriotic and political journalism would not be possible.

FEPC'S COMMUNIST ORIGIN

Businessmen and municipalities in California who are being persecuted by the State's abortive bureaucratic monster, the Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC), are wondering about its origin.

Arthur Krock, writing in the New York Times on May 11, 1950, described the origin of the FEPC as follows:

"According to available records, a detailed demand for the FEPC and other antidiscrimination laws in behalf of Negroes first appeared in the Communist Party platform of 1928 and was published on page 6 of the Daily Worker of May 26 in that year."

Since that time, the Communists have been in the forefront of those advocating these vicious State and Federal FEPC statutes.

The New York Journal-American attested to this in an editorial on February 2, 1950. Speaking of FEPC, the Journal-American said:

"One of its most vociferous advocates is the Communist Party.

"The loudest supporters must realize this truth, although it would be politically inconvenient for them to say so."

On January 16, 1947, the Communist Party of Maryland and the Communist Party of Washington, D. C., purchased a large ad in the Baltimore Sun, which appeared on page 6 of the Sun, and which was headed "We State Our Case-Communists Answer Critics" Under the sub-heading, "Our Program", the ad states: "We favor the passage of FEPC and Civil Rights laws in Maryland and in the District of Columbia."

The Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress reports that the first national FEPC bill was introduced on February 5, 1943, by the notorious Vito Marcantonio of New York. Marcantonio was the leading spokesman in Congress for Communist causes. He was so closely identified with Communist activities that both the Democratic and Republican Parties in his district joined together and united behind a single candidate in order to defeat him and rid Congress of his un American activities.

This, then, is the background and origin of the FEPC an agency which is supposed to eliminate what it calls "discrimination in employment".

As the Banner remarked in an editorial two weeks ago:

"Is it any wonder that the Communists in the United States have been among the leading supporters of the bureaucratic FEPC monster? They see in it their most effective weapon for the destruction of private business. A man who cannot select his own employees cannot control the destiny of the business he has created.

"Most Americans do not know how far down the road toward the destruction of our liberties and of private enterprise we have traveled."

(Reprinted from OCEANSIDE-CARLSBAD (Calif.) BANNER)

The real democratic American idea is, not that every man shall be on a level with every other, but that every one shall have liberty, without hindrance, to be what God made him.
--Henry Ward Beecher

WRITE YOUR SENATORS

OECD Treaty Would Make Foreign Aid Permanent!

By Phoebe Courtney, Editor

On February 15th, Secretary of the Treasury Douglas Dillon testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee urging ratification of a treaty which would establish the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). The OECD is a pact between the United States and Canada and 18 Western European nations for the supposed purpose of solving mutual economic problems.

When questioned by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Secretary of the Treasury Dillon stated that the OECD "would not transfer one single thing from Congress to the executive," and "decisions could only be carried out through the Constitutional processes of the United States."

Those who have made a study of the moves and counter-moves of the internationalists in both the Democratic and the Republican parties as they seek to "internationalize" the United States, know that the promoters of one-world government usually state the very opposite of their real intentions. Stripped of buresucratic gobbledygook and fuzzy-wordedness, the OECD is a brazen attempt to transfer from Congress the power to supervise the expenditure of the U.S. taxpayers' dollars and to vest this power in the international organization to be known as the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. In this way, OECD would be given a free hand, without Congressional check-reins.

The OECD Treaty, which will soon come before the U.S. Senate for ratification, concerns itself primarily with Foreign Trade and Foreign Aid.

INTERNATIONAL CONTROL OF OUR IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

The background documents establishing the OECD state that an aim of the OECD is "to contribute to expansion of world trade on a multilateral non-discriminatory basis, in accordance with international obligations."

The word "non-discriminatory" means that the United States will be prevented, if this OECD resolution is ratified, from putting tariffs on any imported products. In other words, the U.S. would be powerless to stop the flood of cheap, imported goods which is now causing increasing unemployment in this nation.

George W. Ball, Kennedy's Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, recently said that "the United States must itself be prepared to make some concessions in the entry of foreign goods into the United States." Mr. Ball is apparently unaware of the increasing unemployment being caused by our present very low tariffs, which he proposes to lower even more!

FOREIGN CONTROL OF OUR FOREIGN AID

Another aim of the OECD is "to contribute to foreign economic expansion in member as well as non-member countries in the process of economic development." What this means is that if the U.S. Congress should in the future refuse to give Foreign Aid dollars to a country - say, like India, or Red Poland - American taxpayer dollars would still, in violation of the wishes of the American people, be sent in Foreign Aid to these countries by the OECD.

The power to decide which nations are to receive expanded American Foreign Aid would, according to the OECD resolution, be decided, not by our Congress, but by "experts" or "expert groups." As in the past, these experts will, of course, be none other than the experts furnished by the giant interlocking, tax-free foundations, who have practically taken over the policy-making decisions of the U.S. State Department.

Thus it is seen that "experts" furnished by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, the Institute for Pacific Relations, and the Rockefeller Foundation, would, under the OECD, be the dispensers of U.S. tax dollars overseas, instead of our Congress.

Secretary Dillon and President Kennedy are exhibiting unseemly haste in attempting to ram the OECD resolution through Congress. This haste stems from the fact that the internationalists in both the Democratic and Republican parties are well aware of the rising tide of American opposition to the unemployment-causing Reciprocal Trade Act, and the Foreign Aid programs which are squandering American dollars around the world.

The internationalists and the giant foundations foresee the day, which may come a lot sooner than Conservatives dare hope, when Congress will refuse to pass any more Reciprocal Trade laws and Foreign Aid bills.

It is in anticipation of such a Conservative revolt that Messrs. Kennedy and Dillon are exhorting their colleagues to take the necessary steps now to fasten Free Trade policies and Foreign Aid programs on the United States on a PERMANENT basis.

Therefore, the OECD Treaty actually is an invitation to Congress to commit suicide.

The OECD resolution is a treaty. The U.S. Constitution states that treaties which are ratified by 2/3 of the Senators present and voting become the supreme law of the land, superior to any and all laws passed by Congress. If the U.S. Senate ratifies the OECD Treaty, it will have permanently relinquished Congressional control over the expenditures of taxpayer funds for Foreign Aid. This control would then be in the hands of a foreign-dominated organization, the OECD, where the U.S. representative would only have one vote, but the U.S. would furnish the bulk of Foreign Aid funds to be distributed throughout the world.

As stated before, 2/3 of the Senate present and voting must approve the treaty before it is ratified and becomes the supreme law of the land. If only 34 of the 100 Senators vote "NO" to this OECD Treaty, the treaty will not be ratified!

This would be a tremendous defeat for the internationalists of both parties, and would be a tremendous victory for the Conservatives.

Write or telegraph your two Senators today, urging that they vote against the OECD Treaty.

More Serious Than Integration

(Reprinted from CHATTANOOGS NEWS-FREE PRESS)

Georgia's turmoil over the unconstitutional intervention of the Federal judiciary to force integration in the great University of Georgia contains several aspects which should point up a principle, indicate a sound course and provide a grave warning.

The principle that should be maintained in all situations of social contact should be free individual choice of associations. The Federal courts are imposing upon the students of the University of Georgia to deny them that right. Yet the situation is not quite so bad as that which exists in court-ordered integration of public schools on the elementary and secondary level. Everyone is not required to go to college; everyone is required to attend elementary and secondary schools. There are, with inconvenience perhaps, alternate private choices for those who do not want to accept forced integration at the university level; there are only the most limited alternate choices for those caught in court-ordered elementary and secondary integration.

With education a necessity, it is unrealistic to seek to abandon an entire educational system. The closing of a school, to be realistic, must be coupled with a sound program to reopen other satisfactory educational opportunities for its students elsewhere. How, then, may educational opportunity be maintained for all, both Negroes and whites, on a basis that will permit the free choice of associations?

Prospective students of the future may make a choice between attending an integrated University of Georgia or going elsewhere to avoid integration. But when integration is imposed upon an elementary and secondary public school system, freedom of choice exists for only a very few. The sound course would seem to be an equal provision of public funds for the education of each individual student, so each may make his own choices--opportunities for which would quickly arise if such funds were available.

But transcending the immediate problems of education and integration, there is an air of deep threat about what is happening in Georgia. It is exemplified, as it has been so many times, by seizure of power by the appointed Federal judiciary.

As the Federal courts in the New Orleans case dictatorially wiped out the actions of the duly elected State Legislature and the Governor to impose decrees based on no law whatsoever, so in the Georgia case the Federal judiciary has issued an order that Georgia cannot withhold the tax money of its people from support of integration at the university. Whether it is desirable to do so or not should be decided only by the people of Georgia through their representatives--not the courts.

When appointed judges assume dictatorial powers, overrunning the Constitution and representative government, they set a precedent for similar dictation in any or all cases. By such procedures tyrants rise and freedom is poisoned. Almost daily America is having more of that poison injected into its system.

How We Lost China and Cuba

Letting the chips fall where they may, former U. S. Ambassador to Brazil William Pawley has bared his heart to the American people in an attempt to warn them of the extremely dangerous situation that exists in the State Department. His testimony before the Senate Internal Security subcommittee based on 15 years of service in the foreign policy field, does not concern itself so much with the question of whether this man or that man is a Communist or a Communist-sympathizer. **Rather, Pawley exposes the workings of a government within the government, a group of men whose political philosophy, no matter how one labels it, is definitely not in the best interests of our country.**

Having seen a handful of men influence official government policies which brought about the Communist takeovers in China and Cuba, Pawley warns that some of the men involved have returned to government.

Mr. Pawley also discusses his experiences with the controversial William Wieland, who worked for him in Brazil. Wieland, he recalled, displayed tendencies which seemed contrary to the nation's best interests in his dealings with the press. Pawley said he made this fact known to President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon. The State Department refused to act and viewed Pawley's comments as "pressure." The question, Pawley emphasizes, is not whether men of Wieland's type are pro-Communist, but rather whether the policies they favor are "serving the cause of our enemies."

Asked by committee chief counsel J. G. Sourwine: "You think he is doing this wittingly, intentionally?" Pawley replied: "I have got to say that he is either one of the most stupid men living or he is doing it intentionally."

We strongly urge all who wonder why America is always on the losing side to read Pawley's testimony. Some of the situations Pawley describes border on the incredible. For example, Pawley tells of one policy which had the approval of President Truman, Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, Secretary of Commerce Harriman, Under Secretary of State Lovett and other responsible officials that nevertheless was overruled by a handful of men "in junior positions" in the State, Treasury, Commerce and Agriculture departments—"sort of a junior cabinet!" Pawley's description of how State Department policy papers are prepared would be comical if it were not for the tragic consequences.

We urge readers to obtain a copy of the Pawley testimony from the U. S. Government Printing Office, Washingon, D. C. This testimony, first taken in executive session, is truly frightening.

Airing The FPA Stable

To fully understand the objections that many Americans have to the Foreign Policy Association's "Great Decisions" series it is necessary to know the background of some of the "experts" the FPA employs.

Herbert Matthews, staff writer for the New York Times, has a truly remarkable record for being wrong where Communist strategy is concerned. An arch defender of the Loyalist cause in Spain's tragic civil war, Matthews has been described as the man who, more than any other American writer, sold America, including the State Department, on the idea that Castro was "a bright-eyed, idealist and the savior of his people." **It was Matthews who assured us as recently as July 16, 1959, that "Castro is not only not Communist but decidedly anti-Communist."**

Henry Steel Commager, distinguished "Columbia scholar," is also distinguished by his opposition to loyalty-security programs and loyalty oaths. When the "Red" Dean of Canterbury was invited to the United States by the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, cited as subversive and Communist by Atty. Gen. Tom Clark, Professor Commager turned up as a member of the committee of welcome, according to the Daily Worker. Communist Front publications have often found Commager's comments on national and international affairs deserving of favorable comment. An arch defender of Owen Lattimore and John Paton Davies, Commager favors recognition of Red China.

Cyrus Eaton, who made the select circle in 1957, needs no further introduction.

Ernest A. Gross is perhaps best known for the Gross Committee "report" whitewashing the scurrilous treatment of Povl Bang-Jensen, whose only crime was that he tried to protect the anonymity of Hungarian Freedom Fighters who testified concerning Red atrocities in Hungary. Gross also was chairman of the Fifth World Order Study Conference convened by the National Council of Churches, which urged recognition of Red China by the United States and its admission to the United Nations.

Brooks Emeny is perhaps best known as a past officer of the American Council, Institute of Pacific Relations, which the Senate Judiciary Committee report of 1952 described as "a vehicle used by the Communists to orientate American Far Eastern policies toward Communist objectives," and which played a leading role in the loss of China to the Communists.

The obvious pro-Red China recognition bias of other FPA "experts" — notably Eustace Seligman and John K. Fairbank —needs no elaboration. To glamorize their idol, the FPA claimed last August in the Congressional Record that Fairbank was "in Formosa visiting Chiang Kai-shek and his government." Subsequent investigation revealed that he made the trip on his own initiative and at his own expense —and **without** an invitation from the Chinese government.

The only way to expose the Foreign Policy Association technique of distortion and misrepresentation is to conduct your own investigation of the issues they raise. It also is important that one knows the background of the FPA "experts" who are "discussing" the "issues."

The FPA has a stable of clever editorialists. But they can fool only those who WANT to be fooled.

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Bungling Now "Official" Policy

Not many Americans who are aware of the indecisiveness of most government operations were surprised at the Miami Herald's recent report that the United States still supplies Castro with millions of dollars in trade to buy guns, oil and machinery.

"At the present pace," the Herald reports, "Castro pockets more than $60,000,000 annually through the export of fruits, vegetables and other commodities, despite economic restrictions. *** U. S. producers are restoring Cuba's livestock industry, depleted after the revolutionary government assumed power, with weekly shipments of hundreds of breeding cattle and hogs and breeding chicks. Preferential duties granted Cuba after the Spanish-American War are still in force, giving the Red-stained island a favored trade position over all other countries, including our closest Free World allies."

Despite all the chagrin at Canada's "business as usual" policy toward Castro, The Herald reminds all of us that "Canadian exports *** may be shipped across the United States in bond and sent to Cuba from Florida without further restrictions."

No, the American people will not be surprised to learn of these things. U. S. bungling in the face of Communist encroachment has become so typical that most people frankly consider it almost an integral part of our diplomacy.

We have seen the "Butcher of Budapest" wined and dined by our leaders. We have seen our tax dollars sent abroad to aid Communist puppet governments. We have seen the State Department follow policies which led to the downfall of China. We have seen the State Department ignore all warnings of Castro's pro-Communist affiliations and do all in its power to assure his victory in Cuba. We have seen traitors and Communists glorified in intellectual circles. We have seen American generals dismissed because they tried to win wars by carrying the battle to the enemy's territory.

Have the American people lost their voice?

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Second Class?

What makes people and a nation really "second class" is well discussed in a first-class statement by Warner & Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio, machine tool firm:

"People who want to be paid without working enough to earn it are second-class people, not Americans. People who want to be protected without having the courage to fight, and earn their own protection, are second-class citizens. People more anxious for security than self-respect, comfort above accomplishment, for 'peace in our time' above integrity . . . all these shallow, self-seeking, small - souled people are dragging America down to the second-class nation status.

"For a hundred years of hard working self support, America was respected, prosperous, unselfish without being made a fool.

"Run this nation once more by hard work--and for those Americans with self-respect, not for whiners -- and we'd sweep that scornful 'second class' sneer and all excuses for it down the rat hole where it belongs."

Dangerous Choice For World Court

(Reprinted from the Manchester (N.H.) UNION-LEADER)

In recent weeks, Dr. Philip C. Jessup has been appointed to represent the United States on the World Court at The Hague. This is the same Philip Jessup who associated with at least four Red Front organizations; who was a leading member and advisor of the Institute of Pacific Relations, a Communist propaganda organization; who edited the notorious White Paper on China; who favors recognition of Red China; who served as a character witness for Alger Hiss at both trials in which Hiss was charged with turning over secret documents to the Kremlin.

This man, who was rejected by a Senate Subcommittee in 1951 as unfit for appointment as a U.S. delegate to the United Nations, an appointment which the Senate later refused to vote upon, is to be United States representative on the World Court! While left-wing efforts continue to scrap the Connally Reservation, your country is to be represented by a man whom 55 House members and 38 Senators in 1951 said should never hold ANY diplomatic status!

IF THE EVENTS OF THE PAST FEW WEEKS DO NOT WAKE UP THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO THE DANGERS FACING THEIR COUNTRY PROBABLY NOTHING EVER WILL.

We have heard "liberals" say: "Don't call that man a commonist! You haven't any proof that he is a party member." When we hear that we are reminded of the old saying: "If it looks like a rabbit, hops like a rabbit, and acts like a rabbit, I'm going to call it a rabbit."

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Straight Talk

by Tom Anderson

(Reprinted from FARM & RANCH MAGAZINE)

"BETTER be Red than dead." That's the new "National Purpose" of the Appeasers. Appeasers are people who feed a crocodile hoping it'll eat them last. Coexistence is immoral. A gutless, impossible delusion and fraud. Our "National Purpose," if we are to survive as a free people, must be to free the enslaved peoples of the world and destroy that organized religion of hate, communism. In the coexistence compromise between right and wrong, evil wins. In a compromise between food and poison, death wins. To win the war against the Communists, we must abandon "containment," renounce "peaceful coexistence" and reject a status quo based on millions now enslaved by the Communists. We can coexist with the Communists just like the lion and the lamb coexist. All that is necessary is to pitch a fresh lamb into the cage each morning.

Attack us? The Communists are not insane enough to attack us. They are winning without it. And they want our cities, our industries, our youth *intact*. They can win without changing their tactics. We can't win without changing ours.

Termites on Our Payroll

It was at the multi-million-dollar United States Embassy building in Stockholm, Sweden. They were having a small cocktail party for our little group accompanying Secretary of Agriculture Benson on a Trade Development Tour. As I joined a group of a dozen or so standing in a circle, one of our Embassy employees glibly expounded: "This ain't bad duty now that McCarthy is dead." Quick as you could say Alger Hiss or Phillip Jessup, I politely inquired: "How've all you pinks, punks and perverts been getting along since the Senator passed away?" Uninsulted, he answered: "There are just as many of us and we're getting along better than ever."

I don't see how any red-blooded American could mix with our foreign service and State Department people without thinking more of Joe McCarthy. Our overseas employees, like State Department people here, and like groups anywhere, can't accurately be lumped into one category. Some are dedicated patriots. Some are One-Worlders, international Socialists, people who've long since lost their patriotism, if they ever had any. Some are people who like to live abroad because they can live better than they ever lived before and can enjoy all the privileges and few of the responsibilities of their American citizenship. Some are dupes and do-gooders who are serving the Communist cause unwittingly by following the Communist line. Some are undoubtedly Communists. Some are merely gutless traitors who'd "rather be Red than dead." Many of these people, deliberately or not, are delivering us to the enemy.

A news service recently carried the story that the United States had just made a grant of $350,000 to Yugoslavia "to aid that country's development of atomic energy for peaceful purposes." That's like giving a supply of hunting knives to Jack the Ripper on his promise to use them only at his dinner table.

I think it would be near-treason to sell our surpluses to Poland and other enemies. But we don't do that. We *give* it to Tito who *sells* it to his people, who never know where it came from.

In Poland, guess who's one of the men in charge of giving away your farm surpluses to the enemy? An old New Dealer who's been listed on more Communist fronts of the House Un-American Activities Committee than Tommy Manville has had wives. Our lefties are now trying to kill the House Un-American Activities Committee so our Communists and fellow-travelers can be made to feel more at home here.

They ARE Burying Us

We are in a war for the world, and we are losing. The Communists have taken half the world. Berlin is precarious. Formosa (Nationalist China) may be sacrificed. Japan is moving toward the Communist camp. Laos is on the brink. Cuba is now being fortified by the enemy. Central and South America are Communist infiltrated. Africa may be lost. England and other European allies are talking neutralism more and more. And more of the American people, a survey shows, know who said "Hi ho, Silver!" than who said, "Give me liberty or give me death!" More are interested in losing five pounds than in losing Quemoy. Finding a parking place is more important than who promoted Peress or who's on the World Court.

Who—we or the Communists—have the necessary courage, the dedication, the fanatical zeal necessary to win? We will soon know. It depends on *you*. What can one person do? One man, Nathan Hale, brought chills to the spines of generations of patriots with his statement just before he was put to death: "I only regret I have but one life to lose for my country." (Is U-2 spy Powers the modern Nathan Hale? Powers claimed he didn't know what he was doing, though he got $30,000 a year for it, and wouldn't have done it if he had.)

You Are the Answer

What can one person do? One man, Adolph Hitler, cast the deciding vote in a beer hall putsch that set the world on fire. One man's vote kept us from killing compulsory military training—three weeks before Pearl Harbor. One man's influence led to giving China to the "agrarian reformers." That man was not a foreigner, but an American.

What can one person do? One person, unknown today, fired the shot heard 'round the world. He didn't worry about it hurting his business. He didn't check to see if the leaders approved. He was neither paid cash nor guaranteed any benefits by his government. He just did what his conscience told him to do—for his country. You are but one. So were Carrie Nation, and Joan of Arc, and Patrick Henry.

What can one person do? One man, Karl Marx, was a ne'er-do-well. But his religion, Communism, has enslaved half the world. What can one person do? St. Paul was an emsciated epileptic. Hitler was a psychiatric paperhanger. Are we inferior to them—or even to Christ's disciples—*before* they became *dedicated* men? It's up to *you*.

TALE OF TWO FROGS

Two little frogs fell in a pail of cream. Though they struggled and paddled and flailed, they couldn't get out! Finally, one little frog gave up, and with a final "Blub! Blub!" he sank to the bottom. But the other little frog was determined to free himself, and he struggled on and on.

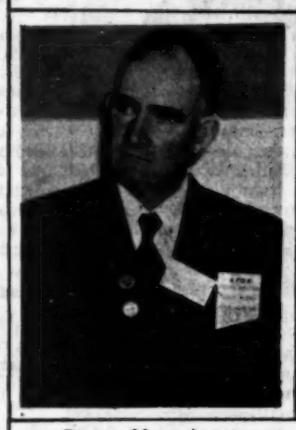
Suddenly - the cream churned to butter! And pulling himself onto the butter, the frog hopped out of the pail!

There's a moral to this simple tale
Of the two little frogs who fell in the pail.
If you'll give the best that you've got to the fight
Greater powers than yours may bring you out right!

--Willis Stone
NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR
ECONOMIC FREEDOM

The trouble with "liberals" is that they are more concerned with sharing wealth (other people's) than with producing it.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM TO MEET IN CHICAGO



Dan Hanson

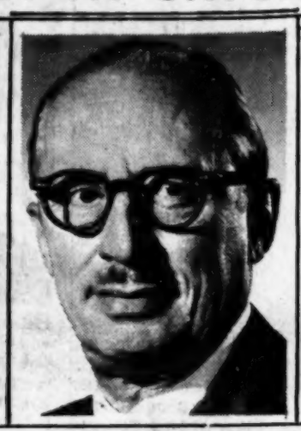
Getting the government out of competition with private enterprise so that the income tax can be repealed is no longer a mere hope. Mr. Willis E. Stone, Chairman of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM, has the facts and figures which prove that this is possible! As Mr. Stone says, "It is no longer a question of 'IF' we can win. The question is 'WHEN'."

To coordinate the efforts of all those who wish to join in this fight to stop government competition and repeal the income tax, the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM has been actively organizing in 36 States.

MR. WILLIS E. STONE, Chairman of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM, has just announced that the National Convention of the NCEF will be held in Chicago on April 14, 1961, in conjunction with THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM.

CONGRESSMAN EDGAR HIESTAND will be the principal speaker at the banquet meeting of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM.

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM has made tremendous progress since its First National Convention, which was held October, 1959, in Chicago. So far, the States of Louisiana, Texas, Wyoming, and Nevada have now approved the Proposed 23rd Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which would accomplish the purposes of the NCEF.



Willis E. Stone

Mr. Stone, in furtherance of this program, made 168 major speeches in 28 States during 1960, and appeared on 70 radio programs and 16 television programs. The Proposed 23rd Amendment became the issue in hundreds of 1960 campaigns for State and Federal office in areas where the project was unknown a year ago.

So far in 1961, Mr. Willis E. Stone, as Committee Chairman, has made appearances before legislative bodies in the States of Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Dakota, Montana, South Dakota, Colorado and Hawaii.

The National Convention of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM will open with a luncheon at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago on Friday, April 14. Seminars to be held during Friday afternoon will help to lay the groundwork for State-by-State approval of the Proposed 23rd Amendment, and will inform participants of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM what action is needed in their own States to achieve this goal.

A full slate of speakers, including Mr. Dan Hanson, under whose vigorous leadership the Proposed 23rd Amendment was introduced into the Legislature of the State of Wyoming, will be announced by Mr. Stone, Chairman of the NCEF.

You are urged to attend the luncheon, the seminars, and the banquet of THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago on Friday, April 14, during THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM. Learn how YOU can help in your own State toward adoption of the Proposed 23rd Amendment!

Hon. Edgar Hiestand

CONGRESSMAN HIESTAND will be the principal speaker at the banquet meeting of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM on Friday April 14th. His subject will be "Wanton Waste in Washington" illustrating the need for the proposed 23rd Amendment.

Regular subscribers of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN Newspaper, who will shortly receive invitations and registration blanks for THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM, may indicate on these registration forms whether they plan to participate in the activities of the National Convention of THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM on Friday, April 14. If you are NOT a regular subscriber to THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN Newspaper, and would like to take part in these activities, please write today for further information to Mr. Kent Courtney, publisher of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN, 7314 Zimpel Street, New Orleans 18, Louisiana. Please make your hotel room reservations directly with the Morrison Hotel in Chicago.

NOTE: For information concerning other activities of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM, to be held at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 13, 14 and 15, see detailed articles elsewhere in this issue.

How To Start A Tax Protest

The information shown below was furnished by the California branch of a large soft-drink bottling company to its employees, along with the yearly W-2 forms.

Other readers of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN may wish to take similar action in alerting their employees - at the one moment of the year when an employee holds in his hand the evidence of what amount he has earned during the preceding year - and what amount the Federal Government has arbitrarily deducted from his pay. The letter furnished to one group of employees is as follows:

"Attached is your W-2 Form. It spells out the amounts we have been required to hold out of your earnings during 1959 and keep records of. This involves considerable expense to us. We did not ask for this job, nor are we paid to do it.

"Take a good look at these withholdings. It is your money we are talking about. Can you figure out some things you could have used this money for?

"This income tax was immorally put into practice in 1913 under the guise of a tax to 'soak the rich.' Since the rich have very few votes, they were unable to kill the measure. But the arguments they used against giving the government the power to collect income tax have all proven to be true. The limit of 6% that was originally adopted has been steadily raised until now the rich are paying up to 91% of their income. If you are one of those who feel that this confiscation is just because it is "soaking the rich" take a look at this. Income tax that started out with a limit of 6% on the rich, now collects a minimum of 20% from the lowest income group. And over 80% of the total of this so-called 'rich man's tax' is being paid by people whose income is under $6,000 per year!

"This back-breaking income tax is what lies at the bottom of most of the troubles between management and labor. If a business has trouble making ends meet, management blames labor. If a working man has the same trouble, he blames his boss and his rate of pay. Yet, if both were able to 'take home' all their earnings, both would be happy. So let's put the blame where it belongs and get rid of this income tax.

"Are you wondering how the government could operate without the Income Tax? It could, and be better off without it. The attached pamphlet explains the mathematics, and not only shows that repealing the income tax law is possible, but is also advisable. Think it over.

YOUR EMPLOYER"

(Editor's Note: The pamphlet referred to above is TAX FAX No. 15, "The Income Tax CAN Be Repealed," which may be obtained from THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN, P. O. Box 4223, New Orleans 18, Louisiana. Prices are: 20 - $1.00; 40 - $2.00; 100 - $5.00; 250 - $10.00; 500 - $20.00; 1,000 - $35.00 (Postage Prepaid).

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200 BILLIONS IN PROPERTY OWNED BY U.S.

Washington, Jan. 13—If there was any doubt that Uncle Sam is a big property owner it was dispelled today by a report of the house committee on government operations.

The report, submitted by Rep. William L. Dawson [D., Ill.] shows the government owns personal property valued at more than 200 billion dollars and an empire of about 779 million acres of real estate.

The report said that altho most of the land is not appraised at its present value but at the price at which it was purchased—some of it 100 years ago—its value still amounts to about 76 billion dollars.

NO FEDERAL CONTROL ?

(Reprinted from Alexandria, La., DAILY TOWN TALK)

Pleaders for federal aid to education have denied long and loud that federal control is involved. Now that passage seems closer, this pose is being dropped.

James E. Russell, secretary of the educational policies commission of the National Education Assn. writes in the Washington Post: "Legislation will have to be drafted and passed which will define and assign responsibilities for planning, approving, administering and coordinating educational activities."

This should be done, he says, either by a new federal commission, or by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

No federal control, eh?

A REASON TO BE CAREFUL

James Madison said it in a speech in the Virginia Convention on June 16, 1788, but it is quite timely today:

"Since the general civilization of mankind, I believe there are more instances of the abridgment of the freedom of the people by gradual and silent encroachments of those in power than by violent and sudden usurpations."

Here's Where Your Money Goes!

By Congressman H. R. Gross

R. E. Springwater was a trainee of the U. S. Information Agency. For training he and his wife were shipped from the U.S. all the way to Ceylon, an island in the Indian Ocean southeast of India. Although the government well knew this trainee would be in Ceylon only 10 months, $3,660 was spent on airfare and transportation of furniture. Furthermore, the trainee received $443 in post differential, $121 in post allowances, $770 in quarters allowance, $117 for temporary lodging, and a $125 transfer allowance.

Thus it cost the taxpayers $5,236 just to send the trainee to Ceylon for 10 months and this in addition to a substantial salary!

If further evidence is needed that Uncle Sugar has more money than common sense, hearken to these items: your tax dollars maintain a "cultural attache" in Italy who draws $18,540 a year in salary and allowances, and this government is now in the process of contributing $2-1/2 million to start construction of Haile Selassie University in Ethiopia. Uncle Sugar is committed to spend $10 million on this project to please his Majesty, the Emperor, and this despite the fact that less than 2% of the population of Ethiopia is literate, which means that the first need is for elementary and vocational schools rather than a university.

If the above items are not enough to convince you that Uncle is having a field day in distant places with your money then try this one on for size: In India, $20 million of your tax dollars have been obligated for what is known as the Orissa iron ore project. When good old Uncle Sugar gets this project in operation, Japanese industry, which is now flooding this country with imports, has agreed to buy 2 million tons of iron ore from India each year. It is not of record that any Japanese arms had to be wrung out of their sockets to get them to accept this deal. What happens to American steel mills and their workers, who are consumers of American farm products, is apparently of little or no consequence to the international do-gooders. Their happy and effective solution for the ills of our steel industry, now operating at about 50% of capacity, is to spend millions in federal funds building up competition in foreign lands while creating distressed areas in this country so that more millions can be spent on damaged U.S. industries and the unemployed.

Did we say Uncle Sugar? Or should it be Uncle Sap?

The AMERICAN WAY AS VIEWED BY McClellan

BENEFIT PROGRAMS

A larger and larger share of our tax dollars has been going, not for National Security and Defense, or International Affairs, but to finance "Benefit" programs. A "Benefit," Federal Government style, is something given by the Federal Government to its citizens "for free." "Benefits" for fiscal '61 will amount to over 25 percent of the total Federal budget. That is up from 17 percent in '52.

The trouble with these "Benefit" programs is that while launched to meet some real or imagined crisis, they've a nasty tendency to live on and GROW.

This will be something for the 87th Congress to ponder and ponder well, if the newly-elected administration actually does attempt to carry out its campaign promises and those of the Democratic Party platform. The Congress must bear in mind that new "Benefits" will not only call for more taxes, or more deficit spending, but that the comparatively small initial expense is the seductive charm to invite Congressional approval.

Each new program requires staffing a bureau (more people feeding at the public trough) and as has been the case with other "Benefit" programs, it will GROW. The worst feature of these "Benefit" programs is that they divert the Federal Government from devoting its full attention to important things such as national defense and preserving a free society peopled by self-reliant, self-respecting individuals.

The New Face Of "The Ugly American"

By Kent Courtney, Publisher

Eugene Burdick, author of "THE UGLY AMERICAN" the best-selling book which exposed some seamy aspects of individuals who had been misrepresenting the United States in connection with our Foreign Aid program, was recently a speaker in New Orleans under the sponsorship of the Loyola University Forum. Some 1,000 people were in the audience. Of these, some 700 were apparently students from Loyola University.

During the course of Mr. Burdick's lecture it became evident to this reporter that "THE UGLY AMERICAN", as a piece of propaganda, has achieved a two-fold purpose. First of all, the book called attention to the kind of person who, all too often and sadly enough, was sent to backward countries without knowing the language or the culture of those countries and without any training for the job. This type of U.S. ambassador was compared unfavorably with the political advance man sent by the Russians. This description and exposure of an inept policy put in so-called novelized form found ready acceptance among Conservatives and liberals alike, but for different reasons.

The Conservative read the book and said to himself and to his friends, "See, I told you so." The Liberal, on the other hand, accepted the implied criticism contained in the novel in the knowledge that "THE UGLY AMERICAN" was a valuable piece of propaganda for those individuals who wish to put government at all levels in the hands of experts trained by the great foundations.

During Eugene Burdick's lecture, it became evident that Burdick wasn't against foreign aid. He was for more of it! He was for doing the Foreign Aid job better! He was for PERMANENT Foreign Aid and he advocated the training of Americans to such an extent that they would meddle in the trade unions, the local universities, the local civic clubs in every nation in the world with an increased emphasis on student exchange.

During the question period Burdick said that he voted for Kennedy because Kennedy has the courage to make mistakes and he described the Truman and Eisenhower administrations as 12 years of retreat.

In answer to other questions he indicated that not only should we increase and strengthen the economic cooperative administration but that we should channel more of our Foreign Aid through the United Nations.

In answer to a question concerning the need to outlaw the Communist party in the U.S., Burdick said that we would make Communism more seductive because it would then be forbidden.

Burdick said that he had no objection to a Communist lawyer being a member of a Bar Association so long as that individual was an identified Communist.

Burdick apparently ignored the fact that the Supreme Court has knocked out the Communist control laws in the U.S.

In answer to a question concerning the validity of the film "Operation Abolition", Eugene Burdick said that the students at the University of California did not rise up against the House Committee on Un-American Activities committee and that anyway, public demonstrations are "an old American tradition." He also mouthed the Communist party line by hinting that the film "Operation Abolition" was a "shabby trick" and it was the kind of thing that wouldn't be done by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He again echoed the Communist party line when he said that the Judge, in acquitting all the students who were arrested for participating in the riots, said that there was no Communism involved. Anyone who has seen the film "Operation Abolition" knows that it presents proof positive that the San Francisco riots were Communist-inspired.

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN hereby warns all of its readers to beware of the kind of lecturer now appearing on college campuses. These men are usually famous. They are authors of best selling books. They appear to be critical of the government but at the same time, behind their urbane manner, their polysyllabic presentation, we find them selling Big Government, more Foreign Aid, "government-by-experts", diversion of American wealth throughout the world, strengthening of the United Nations and other activities which are paving the way for the economic demise of the free enterprise system and the political disintegration of the independent republic of the U.S.

'Easy' Taxpaying Aids High Taxes

Although there is a general feeling among Americans that income taxes pose a grossly unfair burden, there is a woeful unawareness in this country of something far more unreasonable than taxes themselves--the Federal Government's methods of collecting them.

Through a provision of extremely dubious nature in the income tax law, the Federal Government each year cheats millions of Americans out of millions of dollars and in the process defrauds them into thinking it is doing them a big favor. That provision is the one which allows the withholding tax method of collection.

How are Americans being cheated? Consider first that the use of money is worth something. That's why the bank charges you interest when it lets you use its money on a loan. But the Federal Government, in forcing employers to withhold tax payments from the paychecks of wage earners, is denying those wage earners the use of that tax money from the time it is withheld until the time when taxes actually become due, April 15 of the following year. And it is not paying the wage earner any interest for the money withheld. But, of course, when a taxpayer is late paying his taxes, the government charges the taxpayer interest on the taxes due.

A particularly disturbing point is that by withholding tax money from the taxpayer's paycheck, the government has sneakily arranged it so that when April 15 comes around, most wage earners have only a small amount of taxes left to pay, and many even receive refunds. This is designed to keep taxpayers from realizing how burdensome income taxes have become. Currently, the government is even issuing enticing suggestions that taxpayers get their employers to withhold a little more than is necessary so that they won't have any taxes left to pay when they file their returns.

The withholding tax provision makes taxpaying "easy," but if the withholding system were repealed, taxes might be lower because of the demands of the people who would come to realize just how painfully high income taxes really are.

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Signs Of Friendship

An interesting compilation of United Nations voting in the last session has been prepared by the Near East Report, a Washington publication. It shows the nations we can count on when the chips are down.

Aside from the big powers of the West, our best friend is Greece. Following in order are Turkey, Israel, Pakistan, Iran and Cyprus. Greece voted with us 60 times, with the Soviets 4 times, and 9 abstentions. Turkey was 54 to 5 in our favor and the others followed: Israel 35-3 with 33 abstentions, Pakistan 32-24, Iran 30-17 with 25 abstentions and finally Cyprus 28-15 with 27 abstentions.

When you get into the so-called neutral nations you learn what neutrality really is. India, which poses as the leader of the neutral bloc, voted with us 6 times and with Russia 50 times. Mr. Nasser's United Arab Republic voted with us 4 times and against us 53 times. Iraq's record was identical with that of the UAR. Saudi Arabia, which exists solely on American oil royalties, sided with Russia 39 times and with us only 6.

It seems to us this indicates how much friendship our billions have bought. It surely shows the non-neutralism of the phony neutrals. They lean strongly to the Soviets. The neutral label is simply a device to hide the truth.

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tism is sweeping the country!

Come to the second NEW PARTY RALLY in Chicago, and be come a part of this nationwide coalition of politically active Conservatives! Bring your friends, and recharge your patriotic batteries with enthusiasm as you join your efforts with like-minded Conservatives from all over the nation who are dedicated to this task of returning the United States to Constitutional principles and fiscal sanity.

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The subscribers and friends of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN Newspaper did it before! Let's do it again as we swing into action for Conservative victories in 1962 and 1964!

SPECIAL IMPORTANT NOTE!

Please make your hotel room reservations directly with the Morrison Hotel, Chicago. IF YOU ARE A REGULAR SUBSCRIBER OF "THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN," YOU WILL SHORTLY RECEIVE A REGISTRATION BLANK FOR THE VARIOUS LUNCHEONS AND BANQUETS PLANNED DURING THIS THREE-DAY "CONVENTION OF CONSERVATIVES."

However, if you are not a subscriber to THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN, and you wish to attend these very important luncheons and banquets, it is urgent that you write us immediately for further information. Printed programs, containing full information concerning luncheon and banquets will be ready for distribution on March 10.

Write Kent Courtney, Publisher, THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN, 7314 Zimpel Street, New Orleans 18, Louisiana.

See you in Chicago!

(Further information regarding the backgrounds of speakers will be found elsewhere in this issue.)

CONNALLY RESERVATION MUST BE RETAINED!

A determined effort is being made to repeal the Connally Reservation to the Senate Resolution providing for the adherence of our country to the International Court of Justice. It is widely alleged that only six countries have made similar reservations.

Mr. Dan Smoot has made a careful study of this matter and I would like to give my readers a brief statement of some of the points he is emphasizing.

Only three nations--Haiti, Nicaragua and Paraguay--have accepted the jurisdiction of the World Court without reservation.

Twenty-one nations have filed acceptances with reservations somewhat less strict than those of the United States.

Six nations have accepted with reservations practically identical in language or in sense with those of the United States.

Four nations have filed acceptances, couched in different language but substantially as restrictive regarding World Court jurisdiction as the Connally Reservation.

Five nations have accompanied their acceptances with reservations more restrictive than those of the United States.

More than half of the member nations of U.N. have not accepted the World Court in any sense.

The reservations made by Great Britain, France, Australia, Canada, New Zealand are as strict or more strict than those our country has filed.

Let it be remembered that if the Connally Reservation is repealed we can be brought before the World Court on almost any issue, domestic or foreign. Let it be remembered also that there is no appeal from the decisions of this Court.

The World Court consists of 15 judges--all elected by majority vote in the U.N. General Assembly and in the U.N. Security Council. The candidates are nominated by the U.N. Secretary General from names submitted to him by national groups in the Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Hague.

The Soviet Union may legally have three judges on the World Court. No other nation may have more than one. This is true because the Soviet Union has three votes in U.N. and all other nations only one each. This extremely lopsided situation came about by agreement between Stalin and Roosevelt. Stalin demanded a vote for each of the 16 republics within the Soviet Union. Roosevelt countered with a demand for a vote by each of the 48 States in our country at that time. Stalin rejected this because it would give the United States three times as many votes as Soviet Russia. Roosevelt and Stalin compromised by giving the Soviet three times as many votes as the United States--that is, three for the Soviet Union and one for the United States.

All 82 member nations of U.N., plus Liechtenstein, San Marino and Switzerland, are eligible to name their nations to serve as judges on the Court even though they may not have accepted that Court in any sense. In other words the judges may be selected from the 82 member nations and three non-member nations although only 40 of these nations adhere to the World Court.

No Communist nation adheres to the World Court to any extent whatsoever; yet eight Communist nations possessing 10 votes participate in electing the World Court judges and two judges representing Communist nations--the Soviet Union and Poland--are now serving on the Court.

Nine of the 15 World Court judges compose a quorum. Decisions are by majority vote, which means that as few as five judges (all of whom might conceivably be from Communist nations) could render decisions concerning our vital interests, such as giving Alaska back to Russia, stripping us of the Panama Canal, Puerto Rico or the Hawaiian Islands. Suppose, for instance, that U.N. should adopt a resolution providing for the taxing of the nationals of member nations and that heavy taxes should be levied upon our citizens. If we refused to pay, we might be hauled before the World Court and the decision might well be against us. Unless we found some means of resistance we might be taxed down to the level of Africa or Asia. Our only escape would be refusal to accept the authority of U.N. and if in the meantime it had grown strong with the military power it seeks we might find that our existence as an independent nation had come to an end.

The Connally Reservation, which gives our country the right to decide what issues, both domestic and international, may be submitted to the World Court for adjudication, is extremely important.

A complete explanation and discussion of the Connally Reservation and the World Court have been made in three recent issues of THE DAN SMOOT REPORT. You can obtain the complete review by sending 50¢ to The Dan Smoot Report, P.O. Box 9611, Dallas 14, Texas, and asking for copies of World Court and World Law, issues I, II, and III.

(Editor's note: Last year the Humphrey Resolution to repeal the Connally Reservation was kept bottled up in Committee. A massive letter-writing campaign to the Senate by Conservatives was responsible for killing the Humphrey Resolution in the 86th Congress. It is urgent that you write your two Senators today and urge them to vote to defend the Connally Reservation THIS YEAR by voting against S. Res. 39 (introduced again by Senator Humphrey in the 87th Congress). If S. Res. 39 passes, the foreign-dominated World Court would be able to interfere in U.S. domestic affairs. Write your Senators today!)

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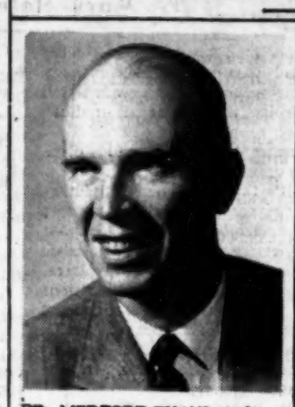
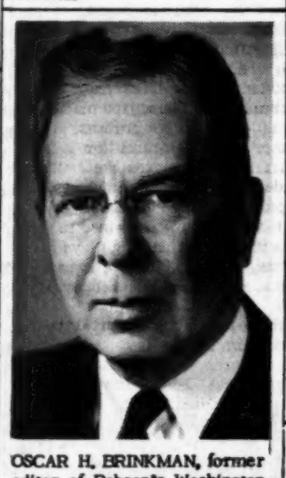


DR. MEDFORD EVANS, author of "The Secret War for The A-Bomb", Coordinator for the John Birch Society and former University professor will speak on "The Movement to Impeach Earl Warren Can be Successful."

DR. MELCHIOR PALYI, Private Enterprise Economist, Consultant to European and American banks, visiting professor and research economist will speak on "How to Bankrupt the U.S.A., A Prediction."



OSCAR H. BRINKMAN, former editor of Babson's Washington Forecast and Editor of Business Digest and Forecast and a syndicated columnist on business and economic affairs is presently Executive Secretary of the National Apartment House Owners Association at Washington, D.C. His subject will be on the protection of property interests against the advances of the Federal Government in the field of Government Housing and Urban Renewal.

DAVID MOLTHROP, Committee on State Sovereignty, Washington, D. C., "Report from the Grass Roots on Reaction to Kennedy's Program"

LAFE HOOSER, representing the National Right To Work Committee, is a 43 year old former locomotive engineer, who believes in voluntary unionism, but was fired from his job when he tried to organize a voluntary union giving referendum voting rights to all members. (Picture not received at press time.)

BRYTON BARRON, Author of "Inside the State Department" will speak on "Evidence of Communist Influence in the State Department."

KEEP RED CHINA OUT OF UNITED NATIONS

With menacing increase, Americans are hearing statements from men in vital foreign policy positions that the time is approaching when the United States "may not" be able any longer to keep murderous Communist China out of the UN. Sometimes, these statements appear to be not so much in way of warning as a part of a "softening up" process to condition Americans to the "inevitability" of Chinese Communist UN membership.

Very active in opposing any surrender to Red China is the Committee of One Million Against the Admission of Communist China to the United Nations. The Committee of One Million reports today that it has surveyed members of Congress and has found that a majority of both houses are ready to commit themselves against Communist China.

Among the congressional endorsers of a committee statement against seating Red China were 54 of 100 senators and 285 of the holders of 437 House seats. The signers cut broadly across party lines, with 165 Democrats and 174 Republicans standing up against a UN seat for the Communists who enslave China.

This survey of the members of Congress is highly significant and important for several reasons. It shows that representatives of the people oppose Red China. And if the matter came to a vote, rather than being measured merely by signature on an outside committee's petition, the majority against Red China would surely be much more one-sided, reflecting the attitude of Americans throughout the land.

In the face of this, Adlai Stevenson, the Kennedy Administration appointee to head the UN delegation of this country, has been saying we may not be able to keep the Chinese Communists out. And Britain's Earl of Home (pronounced Hume) has raised his voice as foreign secretary to say that it certainly is regrettable about Red China's aggressions in Tibet, but perhaps Red China soon will be in the UN, after all.

Red China is ineligible for UN membership on every count. Membership is supposed to require a nation to stand for peace and non-aggression. If the UN charter means anything on that score it would force several nations out, and certainly would not permit any new ones to come in. Red China exists as a result of Russian-inspired and supplied aggression. It brought major war of aggression in Korea, not against only the Koreans and the Americans, who bore the real burden, but against the UN itself, for it was the UN flag that flew over Korean defense forces.

Should the aggressor which fought the UN now be given a seat in its councils? And should the government of Nationalist China be expelled to make way for the aggressor?

Let us make sure that the congressional majority continues to oppose Red China, and that the majority grows as a result of advice from the people at home who send the senators and representatives to Washington. And let Americans serve notice that they accept none of the defeatism embodied in the Stevenson type of comment. If the UN should ever choose Red China as a member, the United States should no longer be a member.

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The penalty good men pay for indifference to public affairs, is to be ruled by evil men.
—Plato.

PARTIAL LIST OF NEW PARTY DAY SPEAKERS

DR. DOROTHY WYVELL, Texas Pediatrician, is one of the organizers of the effective Constitution Party of West Texas. In less than two years the Conservatives around Midland, Texas, have become the balance of power in local and national elections. Dr. Wyvell will talk on effective organizing techniques for Conservatives.

HAROLD POESCHEL, Insurance Executive, Short Hills, New Jersey, former Candidate for Congress of the Conservative Party of New Jersey. His political experience in New Jersey will provide a valuable addition to our New Party Day program.

Kent Courtney, Publisher of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN and Chairman of the Forum. He will speak at the luncheon meeting on Saturday, April 15 on the subject "Kennedy's New Frontier is a Front for Socialism."

ROBERT CLIFTON, manufacturer of custom furniture and store fixtures, and chairman of The Voters Independent Party, is at 36 one of California's best known Conservative leaders. Running for Congress in 1960 on a platform of Repeal the Income Tax he placed fourth in a field of nine. He will talk on New Party Day concerning his experiences in the political field.

HOW U.S CAN BLOCK RED CHINA'S ADMITTANCE

What with Dean Rusk, Secretary of State, saying that future disarmament talks should include Red China, and Adlai Stevenson opining that the admission of Red China to the UN may be "impossible to prevent", the extent of the "softness to Communism" policies of the Kennedy administration becomes alarming evident.

On October 8, 1960 the vote in the 15th General Assembly of the United Nations was 42-34 (with 22 nations abstaining) to put off considering the seating of Red China. However, on February 23, 1961, President Janio Quadros of Brazil reversed his country's previous position and ordered the Brazilian delegation to the United Nations to vote for seating Red China. Here is just another example of the futility of "buying" friendship via Foreign Aid .....Brazil, during the period October 1945 through March 31, 1960 received $782 million dollars in U.S. Foreign Aid funds!

Although the U.S. possesses veto power in the UN Security Council, and could veto the admission of Red China, it is unlikely that with Adlai Stevenson as U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. that the U.S. would actually cast such a veto.

However, there does exist a way that Congress can prevent the admission of Red China to the U.N., regardless of what Stevenson and the other appeasers should do or not do.

The 1960 budget of the United Nations reveals that the U.S. pays 43% of the cost of the U.N., which for 1960 amounted to $146 million. This money, of course, is appropriated by Congress.

The Committee of One Million Against the Admission of Red China to the United States has announced that 54 of 100 Senators and 285 of 437 Representatives have endorsed the Committee's statement against admission of Red China.

Therefore, if these Congressmen and Senators will simply stand firm and state that if Red China is admitted to the U.N., they will refuse to appropriate any money whatsoever for the support of the U.N., this threat of the seating of Red China in the U.N. would vanish overnight.

Write your Congressman and urge him to make a public statement that he will vote against any appropriation for the support of the United Nations if Red China is admitted to the U.N.

BOOK REVIEW

BETRAYAL AT THE U. N.

By DeWitt Copp and Marshall Peck

On Thanksgiving Day, 1959, the body of Paul Bang-Jensen was found by two men walking their dogs in a New York City park. Bang-Jensen was the Danish UN diplomat who had made headlines by refusing to hand over to his UN superiors a list of eighty-one witnesses to the Hungarian uprising.

Bang-Jensen feared, as did the witnesses, that if their identities were turned over to the UN Secretariat, they would be "leaked" to the Russians, and reprisals against relatives in Hungary would be swift.

After a long and bizarre investigation into his conduct, Bang-Jensen was fired from the UN by the Secretary General. A little over a year later he was found dead, gun in hand, suicide note in pocket.

The death was called a "perfect suicide." Many questioned the verdict, and DeWitt Copp and Marshall Peck decided to find out the truth about Bang-Jensen's death and the inside fact of his UN experiences. They set out to learn at first hand the answers to four questions:

(1) What happened inside the UN during the Hungarian uprising?

(2) Was Dag Hammarskjold justified in dismissing Bang-Jensen?

(3) Was Bang-Jensen working in the dangerous twilight zone of foreign intrigue?

(4) Did he die by his own hand, or was his death a "perfect murder"?

The authors' pursuit of the answers to these questions led them into uncharted waters and a sequence of astonishing mysteries. The story of that pursuit furnishes one of the most revealing suspense stories of our time.

Read "BETRAYAL AT THE UN" published by The Devin-Adair Company, to learn the startling truth of the Bang-Jensen story!

This book may be obtained by writing to The Bookmailer, P.O. Box 101, New York 16, New York - Price: $4.75.

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Tom Anderson

Tom Anderson, publisher of FARM & RANCH Magazine, which has a circulation of 1,300,000, is one of America's most respected Conservatives. Tom Anderson's editorials are read by millions of Americans who appreciate his down-to-earth humor and his horsensical approach to national problems. These editorials, entitled "Straight Talk" appear regularly in 375 newspapers throughout the country.

Tom Anderson is in constant demand as a speaker before farm organizations, trade association conventions, civic clubs, and political action groups. During the past two years Tom Anderson has done a considerable amount of travelling. He has accompanied former Secretary of Agriculture Benson in a trip behind the Iron Curtain to observe farming conditions in Russia. On a trip to Spain, he interviewed the high officials of the Franco government. And recently Tom Anderson returned from a trip to New Zealand.

Tom Anderson is a native of Tennessee and a graduate of Vanderbilt University. He served as a Naval officer during World War II. He has been associated with farm publications for the past 15 years. He purchased the ARKANSAS FARMER in 1945; established the MISSISSIPPI FARMER in 1952; founded the GEORGIA FARMER in 1956. Late in 1963, Tom Anderson became Editor and Publisher of FARM & RANCH Magazine, which serves readers across the nation, from Virginia to Arizona.

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN invites you to attend the NEW PARTY RALLY to hear one of America's greatest crusaders for Constitutional government. Make your plans today to come to Chicago for THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN FORUM, April 13, 14 and 15 - Morrison Hotel, Chicago!

J. Bracken Lee

J. Bracken Lee, former two-term Governor of Utah and presently Mayor of Utah's capital, Salt Lake City, will be one of the featured speakers at the NEW PARTY RALLY, to be held in the Constitution Room of the Morrison Hotel on Saturday night, April 15.

Mayor J. Bracken Lee is noted for his political courage. He has run and been elected to City and Statewide office as a Conservative Republican. He has also run for the United States Senate, both as a Republican and as an Independent, and two years ago he was elected Mayor of Salt Lake City as an Independent despite the combined opposition of the candidates of both the Republican and the Democrat Parties.

J. Bracken Lee reasons that government at any level should function as any business enterprise should function, that there is no substitute for honesty, efficiency, and fair play. He is a staunch advocate of economy in government at the State and national levels. As Governor of the State of Utah, J. Bracken Lee was the first Governor to refuse to celebrate United Nations Day. Instead, Governor Lee proclaimed the observance of United States Day. A vocal and highly effective proponent for cutting out unnecessary government expenses so that the Federal Income Tax can be repealed, J. Bracken Lee has made speeches to enthusiastic audiences from coast-to-coast in the past few years.

Former Governor Lee is also editor and publisher of one of the finest Conservative weekly newspapers in the country, THE AMERICAN STATESMAN. Bracken Lee's editorials and comments on the need to return to Conservative Constitutional government are quoted widely in all Conservative newspapers and magazines.

Bracken Lee today stands as a giant among Conservatives, a man who has not compromised his principles for political expediency or "party harmony."

KENNEDY "GAGS" CRITICS OF REDS

In pursuance of the Kennedy administration's "soft-on-Communism" policy, on January 27th, Admiral Arleigh Burke was requested by the White House to rewrite a speech he was to give, deleting his sharp criticism of the Soviet Union.

In referring to the muzzling of Admiral Burke, the CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS asked in a recent editorial: "Are we seeing the beginning of a new sort of 'brainwashing' designed to silence warnings to the American people of the bestial nature of the Russian Communists who plan to destroy our country and dominate the world?"

The GLENDALE (Calif.) NEWS-PRESS brought up another aspect of this White House censorship, stating: "As far as is publicly known, Adlai Stevenson, our representative to the United Nations has not been gagged or even rebuked for saying he favors resumption of normal relations with Red China, and he is sure Mr. Kennedy would be happy to meet with Premier Khrushchev. Is Mr. Stevenson to be heard, and not Admiral Burke?...."

What are the views of Admiral Arleigh Burke regarding Communism which the Kennedy administration does not wish him to state publicly? Maj. Gen. C. A. Willoughby, Editor of the FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE DIGEST, a section of the WEEKLY CRUSADER, on December 30, 1960, devoted several pages to detailing Admiral Burke's forthright views. It will be noted that this date preceded by almost a month the White House "gag" edict. Excerpts of Admiral Burke's anti-Communist views are given below:

ON CUBA: "The local success of Castro's vilification of the United States is only too obvious....This is the way the repetitive lie works. It worked for Hitler; it worked for Mussolini; it worked for Stalin. It can work the same way in Cuba, or in Southeast Asia, or in Africa."

STUDENT RIOTS: "...Before we think the repetitive lie works only in foreign lands, before we think this a problem confined only to underdeveloped, uneducated countries, we should consider our two government employees who recently defected to Russia; and even more distressing, the college student riots in San Fracisco last May....This is all part and parcel of the Communist conspiracy. They are conspiring to dominate the world. I do not have to say it; a lot of other people, including the Communists themselves, have said it for us. The one thing I do want to say is that we must stop them. We must top them; we, the people of the Free World."

ON THE COMMUNIST MENACE: "....The Communists recognize this conflict as a war on all fronts, using every method available, under any circumstances, and with no holds barred. They will fight us economically, hoping to weaken the dollar, to disrupt our fiscal affairs so that the balance of payments will not be in our favor, and our economy will suffer.

"They will continue to use political subversion. They will send agents to infiltrate revolutions already under way. They will take charge of revolutions, and support dissatisfied groups any place in the world.

"If we are going to stop this we first must realize that the situation is really grave. We cannot just say it is grave and let someone else worry about it. Each of us, as individuals, as responsible citizens, must understand fully the seriousness of the threat. Conditions are not going to get any better for a long while, and they are not going to get better at all unless somebody does something about them. And we, the people of the United States, are going to have to take a big part in the doing.

We represent the world's greatest strength. We are the most powerful nation in the world, economically, militarily, and politically. But unless WE WANT to do something and unless WE do it, it isn't going to be done. We have to realize this. We have to translate all of our noble thoughts and ideals into action. That is the only way we will win." (Unquote Admiral Arleigh Burke)

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For The Right To Speak Up

The First Amendment says that Congress shall make no law abridging the right of the people to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

The Internal Revenue Service, using powers given to it by Congress, has made rules which abridge that right.

The IRS has made rules which penalize, by taxation, any advertising, promotion or other business activity carried on by a businessman or firm which seeks to influence legislation or public opinion about legislation. It matters not if the legislation in question may threaten to destroy the business, so that an attempt to an effort to influence it is an absolutely necessary business operation, to protect the very life of the business. Money spent for such an activity must be separated from other business expenses, and may not be included in the cost of doing business for income tax calculation purposes. Thus this kind of activity, for a business of ordinary size, costs more than twice as much as other activities which are "proper" in the eyes of the IRS.

An attempt to influence legislation is very clearly an exercise of the right of petition. The IRS ruling clearly abridges that right by attaching a penalty to its exercise.

There are proposals in Congress to remedy the situation. H.R. 45 would repeal the IRS rule and prevent the making of similar rules in the future. It would put into the income tax law the specific provision that expenses "lawfully incurred in supporting or opposing or otherwise influencing legislation in the Congress" or in other legislative bodies are the same as other business expenses as far as the tax collector is concerned. Such expenses, like others, would be judged for tax purposes simply on the merits of legitimacy and necessity to the business.

In other words, H.R. 45 would be a congressional mandate to the IRS to stop violating the people's right to petition government.

It should be passed promptly. Every citizen who is concerned with preserving the right of the people to express views on pending legislation should write to his congressman and senators and urge support of this measure.

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Portugal - A Red Target

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A spectacular story of piracy on the high seas, involving a Portuguese ship, should serve notice on American readers that they are likely to hear a lot about that country in the months and years ahead. They would do well to brush up on their geography.

Portugal's overseas territories are targets of communist imperialist ambitions. These possessions include the Azores, Portuguese India; Macao, a tiny island off the Red Chinese coast; Portuguese Timor, an island north of Australia; and large territories on both the east and west coasts of Africa. Portuguese West Africa, for instance, has a 1,000 mile coast line stretching south from the mouth of the Congo River.

If communism is able to wrest these lands, especially the African territories, from Portugal, it will have made a significant advance in its campaign of world conquest. The Red hold on Africa would never be secure so long as Portugal, a Western nation, controlled strategic areas.

Portugal's right to these lands--many of which were obtained in the early 16th century--should be clearly understood and accepted by the American people and government. The U.S. should stand solidly behind its Portuguese friends in keeping Chinese and Russian communists out of those territories.

The danger is that the U.S. State Department usually fails to think in strategic terms. Its African policy, at least under the Eisenhower regime, seemed to be that the United States is engaged in a beauty contest in Africa--that it must appear more smiling and attractive than the Soviets. But a policy of building on the shifting enthusiasms of African masses is absurd. The only firm foundation for a country's foreign policy is strategic reality, not currents of popular opinion overseas. For that reason, the United States should rally to the aid of the Portuguese as international communism begins a worldwide agitation and propaganda campaign against Portugal.

Toward National Suicide

(Reprinted from THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR)

A small item of news published in the back pages the other day revealed the fact that Communist Yugoslavia has granted a loan of 20 million dollars to the United Arab Republic. We are also told that the loan, payable on very easy terms over many years, will be used for the purchase of Yugoslav industrial goods. If this were just an ordinary business transaction between two sovereign states, we would say it would be none of our business to offer any comment. But is it?

Communist Yugoslavia, as we know, is an underdeveloped country. In spite of the enormous American aid (well over 2 billion dollars) which Yugoslavia has received, economic conditions inside the country are still rather primitive and most of the Yugoslavs live in great poverty. Moreover the Yugoslav Communist treasury has very little "hard currency," i.e., foreign exchange of value, to be able to offer other states $20,000,000 loans. This has obviously been done for political reasons and only because Yugoslavia has the advantage of still receiving U.S. aid and numerous loans by international financial organizations, such as the World Bank in Washington, which are largely subsidized by the United States. The Yugoslav Communists have thus been able to enter the foreign trade-aid field only thanks to American financial backing.

This brings us to our point: Why should the U.S. help a Communist regime expand its foreign trade and even enter in direct business competition with loyal American allies and friends? Why should the financial hand of one of the most ruthless Communist dictators in Europe be strengthened so as to make him a serious economic and political competitor to free nations in the very important area of the Middle East?

Marshal Tito, we can be sure, has not granted his loan "with no strings attached." He has certainly attached political strings to it—conditions for closer diplomatic co-operation between Communist Yugoslavia and the United Arab Republic. We know that one of Marshal Tito's ambitions is to become the leader of a new "neutralist" group of states which, under the guise of "non-involvement" in the East/West cold war, would actually serve the cause of Soviet foreign policy.

So the whole diplomatic game has the following curious cycle: Uncle Sam gives away foreign aid "with no strings attached" to Communists, who, in their turn, operate a trade-aid establishment "with strings attached." And the strings of this Communist trade-aid establishment are attached in such a way that they help effectively policies directed against the United States. "Help thy enemy" is a noble principle when applied to religion and charity. But in the fields of international politics it makes no sense at all. It amounts to working for your own destruction: it is a form of national suicide.

A Senator's Duty

"A senator who is aware of treason but who refuses to expose the dangerous, unpleasant facts for fear that he will be politically scarred and bloodied if he does is actually guiltier of a greater treason than the traitors themselves. Every senator has the duty to use the means provided by the Constitution to protect the people who have entrusted him with the task of manning the watchtowers of this nation."

--the late Senator Joseph R. McCarthy

Is NATO A Mere "Creature" Of The U. N.?

Many Americans are under the impresion that NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization is a defense alliance composed of our allies for the purpose of defending the Free World against Soviet aggression.

It will undoubtedly come as something of a shock to some to find that NATO, since its inception in 1949, has been an integral part of the United Nations. NATO is bound to the Soviet-dominated United Nations not only through the NATO Pact, which has been in effect since NATO's beginning, but also through the United Nations Charter. Many of the 14 Articles of the NATO Pact subordinate its activities to the United Nations, as does the Preamble to the NATO Pact.

Article 5 of the NATO Pact, allows the use of armed force, when necessary, to maintain peace and security in the North Atlantic Area which "shall immediately be reported to the (United Nations) Security Council," and "shall be terminated when the (UN) Security Council has taken the measures necessary to restore and maintain international peace and security."

Article 7 of the NATO Pact (1949) states: "This Treaty does not affect, and shall not be interpreted as affecting, in any way the rights and obligations under the Charter of the Parties which are members of the United Nations, or the primary responsibility of the (UN) Security Council for the maintenance of international peace and security." (Emphasis ours)

Article 53 of the United Nations Charter provides that "The Security Council shall, where appropriate, utilize such regional arrangements (NOTE: Such as NATO) or agencies for enforcement action under its authority. BUT NO ENFORCEMENT ACTION SHALL BE TAKEN UNDER REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS OR BY REGIONAL AGENCIES WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL..." (Emphasis ours)

In view of the Soviet Union's veto power in the Security Council of the United Nations, it becomes apparent that the use of armed force by NATO would be sanctioned only when such action meets with Soviet Russia's approval. How, then, can NATO possibly be considered as a Free World defense against Communism?

Senator Russell B. Long, a member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, stated in a speech made in December, 1960:

"Many of you here probably do not realize that none of the NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) countries are obligated to go to war if Russia should attack the United States. Actually, they are obligated in the charter only to consult and 'take necessary steps' as they see fit. It would be no surprise if any of these countries were to negotiate with Russia over conference tables while she was actually engaged in warfare with us...."

Maj. Gen. C. A. Willoughby, U.S.A. Retired, who edits FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE DIGEST, a section of the WEEKLY CRUSADER, wrote on October 28, 1960:

"I took exception to the view expressed by General Norstad before the Appropriations Committee on the strategy of NATO forces.... Norstad blandly presented the astounding thesis that NATO forces - and the fifty billions of foreign aid it has consumed since 1945! - are not there to win a war, but to: (1) give the enemy pause while the SAC retaliates, or, (2) interrupt the continuity of enemy action (when launched), and (3) force the enemy to reconsider a decision for total war."

Because the NATO Pact clearly outlines NATO subservience to the United Nations, what then was the reason for the establishment of NATO?

Perhaps the ultimate aim of NATO is best summed up by a statement made by former Senator William E. Jenner in August, 1959, when he said:

"You will understand what is happening if you remember that NATO is a small United Nations, set up to do everything that the UN does, but for one region only. Like UN, NATO has two faces. Its familiar face is represented by the military commanders of the Western nations under the chairmanship of American generals like Eisenhower or Ridgeway or Gruenther, sitting down to plan a joint strategy for the defense of the West. The second face of NATO is like the UN's supergovernment. Its task is to manufacture the 'parts' of a World Government and condition the member nations quietly to give up their familiar independence and their unique political ideals."

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URBAN RENEWAL - THE ROAD TO FEDERAL CONTROL

by Mary Helen Brengel

Now that President Kennedy has appointed a controversial figure, Robert C. Weaver, as head of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, it is well to take a look at this agency, at the powers which Weaver is now in a position to exercise, and at over-all implications for the future.

What is the Housing and Home Finance Agency? How did it come into being? Where does it fit into the government picture?

Back in 1937, President Roosevelt's Committee on Administrative Management recommended that two new Federal departments be established - one dealing with Social Security, and the other with Public Works. The Security Agency which was established at that time is now the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The agency for public works was not established, but the functions planned for it were parceled out at various times to a Federal Works Agency, a Federal Loan Agency, the National Housing Agency, and the Department of Commerce. Today many of the elements originally proposed for a Department of Public Works are contained in the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

The year 1960 saw numerous bills introduced into Congress in an attempt to elevate the Housing and Home Finance Agency to Department status, (to be called the Department of Urbiculture) with cabinet rank being accorded to its head.

William Wheaton, Director of the Institute for Urban Studies and Professor of City Planning at the University of Pennsylvania stated in an address before the National Conference on Government of the National Municipal League, November 18, 1959:

> "If we examine the Housing Agency, we find that it is no longer a housing agency. It contains programs of housing and urban renewal....it contains the Bureau of Community Facilities with a program of aids to local community facilities and public works, and for many years served the building and planning functions of Federal education and health programs. The Housing Agency administers a program of grants for local, county, and State planning assistance and assorted other functions, all affecting the development of urban areas. Indeed, the only major development aids of the Federal Government to urban areas which are not now contained in the Housing Agency appear to be urban roads and highways and aids for school buildings and hospitals.....The HHFA has a budget and staff which exceeds that of some Federal departments...."

Professor Wheaton, further seeking to justify departmental status for the Housing and Home Finance Agency, stated:

> "The primary reason for a Federal Department of Urban Development, however, is to secure a seat at the bargaining table for our urban communities. Decisions are made in the White House. Urban areas are not represented there today. They cannot be adequately represented by persons who do not command the national prestige, influence, and power characteristic of department heads...."

Many students of civic and government affairs contend, with ample evidence to support their claims, that - far from its much-publicized goal of "slum clearance," and "renewing blighted areas," etc., Urban Renewal actually seeks to provide a foothold for Federal interference in local affairs, and to destroy the right to own private property!

According to Section 106-C(7) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended through 1957, Housing Director Weaver, even without cabinet status, is in a position to exert tremendous power in the field of Urban Renewal. It was pointed out by THE WEST TEXAS CITIZEN, of Lubbock, Texas, in February, 1960, that before a city is approved for Urban Renewal, it must have a workable plan. This means, they point out, a plan approved by the Federal Urban Renewal Administrator. Section 106-C(7) of the amended Housing Act of 1949 states that such plans "...Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, may include in any contract, or instrument made pursuant to this title such other covenants, conditions, or provisions as HE (the Urban Renewal Administrator) DEEMS NECESSARY."

PUBLIC HOUSING RELATED TO URBAN RENEWAL

Congressman Bruce Alger, of Texas, well-versed in the dangers of Urban Renewal programs, has stated: "Let me point out that public housing is, by definition, part and parcel of the relocation problem, so decreed by the Urban Renewal Administration."

Langley Post, nationally-known proponent of public housing who served as former chairman of the New York City Housing Authority, later as regional director for the San Francisco region of the Federal Public Housing Authority, pointed out several years ago:

> "Imagine the golden opportunities latent in a $500 million housing program in New York City. Commissions, profits, fees, jobs, and finally, apartments for at least 200,000 voters. It is a bonanza beyond the wildest dreams of the most optimistic politician...."

Further illustrating the political implications inherent in Public Housing, Mr. Charles Abrams of New York (who also apparently believes in Public Housing), stated in an article "Public Housing in Politics":

> "Selection of sites enable carving out blocks where hostile voters are numerous and then retenanting the project with those who vote right, while tenants relocated on vacant areas could change a whole neighborhood's political complexion overnight."

URBAN RENEWAL SERVES COMMUNIST GOALS

The abolition of the right to own private property is one of the goals set forth in the Communist Manifesto. William Z. Foster, head of the Communist Party, U.S.A., stated in his book "TOWARD A SOVIET AMERICA": "Public Housing is Communism - Rent Control is step #1, and Public Housing is Step #2."

The Mississippi Legislature, on April 21, 1958, approved an Urban Renewal Law for that State. (House Bill No. 363). According to that law the entire city must be included in the workable plan (Section 6 a, b) and that the plan may be changed "from time to time." (Section 6 a, e; Section 18:1). The latter provision, it would appear, is tantamount to the croupier at a gaming table raking in all the chips, and calling for all the participants to "ante up" all over again. This provides an excellent tool for assuring the political loyalty of all beneficiaries.

THE URBAN RENEWAL-METRO COMBINE

Mary Cain, Editor of THE SUMMIT SUN of Summit, Mississippi, reports that the neighboring town of McComb, Mississippi, was being subjected to an extensive program of "city planning," and that the planners, not satisfied with limiting their proposals to the corporate limits of McComb, were casting "covetous eyes upon the neighboring towns of Summit, Fernwood and Magnolia."

It would appear that Urban Renewal, when it can encompass more than one town, could succeed in erasing city boundaries, thus readying an area for the introduction of a metropolitan form of government. Under metropolitan government, control of civic affairs is transferred from the elected representatives of the people to appointed officials beyond the reach of the people. These appointed officials can wield almost dictatorial powers and invariably use such powers towards continual enlargement of their metropolitan areas, reaching from city control to county control, and so on, even crossing State lines.

It is a widely acknowledged fact that the "centralizers" of government, either wittingly or unwittingly, serve well the causes of our Communist enemies. It would be virtually impossible for the Communists to gain control over 50 separate State governments and innumerable City and County governments. However, the erasure of City, County, and State lines, and the centralization of all power in the Federal government, would greatly facilitate a dictatorial takeover.

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(EDITORS NOTE: For further information regarding URBAN RENEWAL and METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT, send today for copies of TAX FAX pamphlet No. 12, entitled "URBAN RENEWAL - a Socialist Scheme to Confiscate Private Property," and TAX FAX No. 13, "METRO - A Socialist Scheme to Destroy Local Self Government." If your community is now being threatened with Urban Renewal or Metro plans, buy these pamphlets in quantities which will allow distribution to property owners and civic leaders in your area. Prices are 20 for $1.00, 40 for $2.00, 100 for $5.00, 250 for $10.00, 500 for $20.00, 1,000 for $35.00, with postage on all orders prepaid. Send your order to THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN, P. O. Box 4223, New Orleans 18, La.)

The confiscation of all property and the denial of all rights to inheritance is the fundamental law of Communism.
--Communist Manifesto

What Price Disarmament!

(Reprinted from CHRISTIAN ECONOMICS)

WE ARE NOW well into the third year of the temporary ban on nuclear testing. During this time our country has made no progress in adapting the bomb to defensive use. Since we can never hope to rival Russian and Chinese manpower, our only salvation lies in maintaining superiority in variety and adaptability of nuclear weapons. When we agreed to the temporary ban on testing-more than two years ago-we were only a few years ahead of Russia in our practical knowledge of nuclear defense tactics and in our stockpile of weapons. For all we know, this gap has now been largely, if not wholly, closed.

No realistic person can have confidence that the U.S.S.R. has kept its word to ban all testing and development of nuclear science during the more than two years the ban has existed. Space testing and underground testing as well as testing in small volume cannot readily be detected. It would not be at all surprising, in fact it is to be expected, that the Communists would have continued their testing in undetectable ways during the past two years and more and that they may, therefore, have drawn nearly, if not quite, abreast with the United States in the development of this weapon.

In other words, the Communists have obtained from us exactly what they wanted. We have stopped all testing and have no means of checking upon their observance of the agreement. Give them a little more time and they may be in position to issue to us an ultimatum of surrender or be annihilated. If that should happen we will have only our goodhearted but soft-headed pacifists, who have clamored for continuing the moratorium on testing, to thank for the ending of our Western-Christian civilization.

We cannot too often remind ourselves that the Communists are not seeking agreement. They do not want coexistence. They want and intend to destroy us. Coexistence, moratoriums, disarmament agreements, all are means to an end with them. They will use all such instrumentalities and such devices as the United Nations and its subordinate agencies and anything else that will further their objectives. Their leaders have said over and over that communism cannot exist in the same world with freedom-that one will win and the other will lose. They do not intend to lose. Every minute that we delay in making up our minds that we do not intend to lose increases the odds against us.

The pacifists in England produced the clamor which sent Chamberlain to Munich to make the dishonorable peace with Hitler. That was the direct cause of World War II. If the pacifists influence our government to continue its soft, appeasement, live-and-let-live policy toward communism they will be doing that which is most likely to bring World War III upon us. Just as soon as Khrushchev is convinced that we have lost the will to resist, the ultimatum will be presented to us. Then, it will be fight or surrender. If we elect the former alternative, we shall enter the decisive struggle vastly weaker than we would have been had the pacifists' clamor not so weakened the policy of our government with reference not only to resisting but to conquering communism.

No one wants war but many do not realise that, until better means can be devised, the best way to avoid it is to maintain our strength.

How's That Ma'am? House Is Missing?

By PINCKNEY KEEL

POLICEMEN help find a lot of things—cars, money, keys, valuable papers, even children.

A policeman, hardened by years of dealing with every type of person, taks the unusual in stride, never giving it a second thought.

But a telephone call to police headquarters Saturday was a complaint to end all complaints:

"My house is missing!" exclaimed the distraught caller, Mrs. Raymond F. Riggs of 327 Sarver Ave., Madison.

She said the police "laughed at me and thought I was crazy. They said they didn't know how to write up a report on a missing house."

Today Mrs. Riggs told THE BANNER she and her husband owned rental property at 234 Shelby Ave.—smack in the middle of the proposed interstate highway through the East Nashville Urban Renewal area.

"We hadn't checked the property since the first of the month," Mrs. Riggs said. "Then Saturday a friend dropped by the house and asked if we got a good price for the house on Shelby Avenue. I told him we hadn't sold it and he said, 'Well, it's gone.'"

Mrs. Riggs said the City of Nashville made an offer to buy the house, which she and her husband refused.

"This friend, to convince me, drove back over to the property and called me from near there. I said 'It can't be gone, we haven't sold it yet.' And he told me again it was gone."

The Riggs reported the missing house to Sam Arnold of Kimbrough-Phillips Co., their insurance firm.

After checking with the land acquisition officers of the City and State, it was learned today just what happened:

After Riggs refused the City's offer, the house was condemned and torn down, after bids were taken for its wrecking.

Mrs. Riggs said a trial had earlier been set for Feb. 24 in Circuit Court on the case.

Meanwhile, clerks at Police headquarters are still scratching their heads and wondering just how you file a report on a missing house.

Or better still, how to return it if it is found.

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RED PLANS, 1961

(Reprinted from New York DAILY NEWS)

THE NEWS receives an extraordinary two-page document from the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation, of St. Louis, entitled "Communist Master Plan for 1961."

This news release lists 15 major objectives of world Communism for the current year, as detected by the Mindszenty Foundation from Red sources. (The foundation itself is 100% anti-Red.)

W. Z. Foster

Here is a digest of what the Communists hope to accomplish this year in the United States:

They hope to seduce a lot of young Americans by means of propaganda and pornography circulated in schools and colleges; student and teacher exchanges with Communist countries, luring students into Red fronts, and inciting them to agitate for abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Particular stress is to be placed on—

ADMISSION OF RED CHINA

—to the United Nations, with the argument that it is "inevitable," and the United States should not veto it.

The local Reds intend to go on screaming for disarmament, so as to keep us indefinitely from resuming nuclear weapon tests while Russia most likely tests in secret.

Student riots are to be organized against the above-named House committee and the Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

Riots, Propaganda, Lies, Subversion

Americans are to be told repeatedly by Reds and their stooges that Chiang Kai-shek's outpost islands of Quemoy and Matsu are "indefensible" and Chiang should be forced to abandon them. Riots are to be organized when feasible to drive home this proposition.

The notion that a Red China-Soviet Russia break is in the cards is to be promoted as a means of blinding Americans to the over-all threat of world Communism.

Theft of the—

PANAMA CANAL

—either by the United Nations or by the Republic of Panama is to be urged, with the United States told that it would be only right to let the big ditch go.

The local Reds, according to the Mindszenty Foundation, intend to do everything they can to sour relations between the United States Government and the present governments of West Germany, France, Spain and Portugal.

Trade and "Culture"

U. S. trade with Soviet Russia and Red China is to be touted as something that will benefit us tremendously. Same as to those "cultural exchanges," in which Red countries get our culture and we get large delegations of their spies.

Lastly, the domestic Reds will try to sneak into U. S. anti-Communist organizations and cut down their effectiveness from within while their comrades smear them from without.

Nineteen sixty-one is yet young. We'd suggest that you keep this check-list of the things W. Z. Foster and Gus Hall and their American Communist slaves hope to do to your own, your native land as the year goes along.

We'd also suggest that you take note of what newspapers, magazines and TV and radio programs carry thinly disguised propaganda aimed at furthering these Communist plans for 1961, and that you squawk loudly whenever you detect such propaganda. Once you start looking for it, the quantity, skill and virulence of it may surprise you.

Aiding Own Downfall

(Reprinted from THE ODESSA (Tex.) AMERICAN)

An interesting wire story a while back seems generally to have been overlooked. United Press International reported that the Ford Foundation had granted $97,600 to the University of California to finance the exchange of teachers between U.C. and universities in the Soviet Union during the current school year.

"The grant provides studying and living funds for up to 12 faculty members from U.C. and 12 from Moscow State University, the University of Leningrad and other Soviet institutions," said the UPI.

These Russian teachers are being given a forum for their propaganda on these shores. But it will be a one-way street. There are few professors that we know of, particularly in the state universities, who are able to explain the free enterprise system, the worth of Americanism based on the Declaration of Independence and the Ten Commandments. If there were such, they would not be sent by the state schools.

It is strange indeed that industry should finance its own destruction by subsidizing such as this so-called "cultural exchange."

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THURMOND BLASTS...

broader than the single one as might appear on first examination, for each of today's major political parties might well be pictured as either a "mulephant" or an "elemule," both being crossbreeds. Not only are the parties themselves similar, but the leadership is identical in kind, if not always in degree.****

Consider, for example, the issue of fiscal soundness and a balanced budget, a matter about which the public has been deluged with words in recent years. Both major political parties subscribe mightily to a "sound fiscal policy" and a balanced budget and accuse the other of fiscal irresponsibility and reckless spending. On this issue, both parties find it more expedient to treat the issue in isolation rather than in connection with specific spending proposals. As a result, huge and steadily increasing deficits are accumulated under the administration of whichever party is in power, either in Congress or the White House, or both. Thus, paradoxically with both parties superficially opposing deficit spending, the Democratic Administration, with a Republican Congress part of the time, managed in fiscal years 1947 through 1953 to run up an accrued deficit of $5.7 billion; and the Republican Administration, with a Democratic Congress part of the time, managed in fiscal years 1954 through 1960 to run up a deficit of about $18 billion. Is there any wonder that the public considers the "issue" rather remote? I accuse both parties of irresponsibility, and not just fiscal; for the proper context in which fiscal policy should be presented to the public is in connection with each and every spending proposal, as well as in connection with realistic appraisals of revenue expected and the sources from which it must come. An isolated approach is the height of irresponsibility.****

The doctrine of expediency, however, which is followed by our major political parties and the politicians and others who lead them, dictates that the relationship of fiscal policy to specific spending measures shall not be spotlighted, for this would necessitate an admission that the welfare state measures are not something for nothing, but costly services for which the taxpayer, in some generation, must pay dearly. Such an admission would puncture the whole balloon used to advertise and sell the welfare state and thereby necessitate a return to the consideration of issues in terms of their consistency with proven principles. This again would necessitate leadership through explanation and education, both of which are less suited to contemporaneous practices, and more difficult to sell, since they do not adapt themselves to the "Madison Avenue" or "slogan" approach....

So extensive has been the penetration of the expediency approach to public discussion of the issues that an assertion by a White House staff member to the effect that the welfare state is the best defense against communism causes hardly a ripple of public interest--much less public rejection. I refer to the statement of Mr. Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., a research assistant to the President and a some-time faculty member of a neighboring university. Despite the focus of the national publicity spotlight on any number of governmental programs at the national level which constitute welfare state measures, and the discussions which accompany these measures, the majority of the American public rather obviously is unaware that the welfare state is no defense against communism--much less being conscious that, in practical effects, the welfare state is not even an alternative to communism. Both, in essence, are founded on the identical theories of state socialism and are equally antagonistic to the concept of private property. Under communism all property is vested in the state; under the welfare state, the outward vestiges or title to property remain in the individual, but all meaningful attributes of property are exercised by the state through regulation, control and taxation. Whatever differences might exist are differences in form, rather than substance. The basic premise of both communism and welfare statism is that individual responsibility and initiative are unreliable for accomplishment of the goal for society which both profess, and their goal is conceived solely in terms of materialistic values. Welfare statism must, therefore, be equated with communism in its mistrust of individual liberty and reliance on state control.****

Not only has the doctrine of expediency so permeated our society as to destroy our perceptiveness on matters relating to internal affairs, but it has also so impaired our ability to think that we are changing from an aggressively progressive nation among world powers into a nation of apologists. As an illustration, consider the trend of discussions of our economic system. Our economic system is capitalism, but it is significant that even among ourselves the term has largely fallen from usage except in a derogatory sense. Our obvious embarrassment at the term arises not only from the communist assaults which twist its operations, and the misguided and ignorant criticisms of European writers, but also, to a material degree, by our own lack of comprehension of capitalism. Webster defines capitalism as:

> "The economic system in which the ownership of land and natural wealth, the production, distribution and exchange of goods, the employment and reward of human labor, and the extension, organization, and operation of the system itself, are entrusted to, and affected by, private enterprise and control under competitive conditions."

Free or private enterprise, the term we commonly substitute in referring to our economic system, is inadequate and incomplete; for free or private enterprise may operate under conditions other than competitive, and the essence of capitalism is competition.****

Public appreciation of the Constitution and the benefits derived from it are at an all-time low. The major political parties in writing their platforms, and in considering legislative proposals, habitually ignore the Constitution altogether when it fails to conform to the position of expediency which they have adopted. Even when an issue is discussed in relation to the Constitution, that fundamental body of law is pictured either as a senseless strait jacket, or a formless shape of elasticity which can conveniently be reformed to accommodate whatever course the advocate chooses to follow. Public esteem for the Constitution will continue to wane until it is once more considered as an embodiment of proven political philosophies--the violation or avoidance of which will surely result in deprivation of liberty. The Constitution is designed to protect and maintain individual liberty. Disdain or contempt for the Constitution is indicative of a lack of understanding of liberty itself and the values of its enjoyment. A people who are insensitive to the values of liberty will not only be unable to guide unenlightened people to paths of freedom, but on the contrary will share their groping in the darkness of subjugation.****

The momentum of the practices of the major political parties has reached a point at which their reversion to the proper course seems unlikely to occur of their own initiative. It remains, therefore, for some source presently without the framework of the major political parties to provide the impetus for a reversal of form. The most hopeful source, in my opinion, lies in a youth of America trained and determined to discern sham from truth. This hope lies in a youth that is willing to pay the price of objectivity and to make the sacrifices that only an unquenchable thirst for truth can inspire"....

(Editor's note: Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina did not support either Kennedy or Nixon in the 1960 presidential election.)

The Cost of Subsidies. Although acknowledging that it is impossible to estimate the total cost of Federal subsidies for any single year, the staff of the Joint Economic Committee of Congress nevertheless takes a stab at it. In 80 closely-printed pages—6 of which are required merely to list the various kinds of subsidies—the recently released report states—

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YOUR MONEY-GO-ROUND

Tax Foundation offers this morsel for those who file their income tax returns early:

A recent report noted that the military buys about $17 billion worth of new equipment each year.

The report said that much of the material is sold as scrap because it is not needed, and that "altogether . . . in fiscal 1960, goods that cost $2.4 billion were sold to the public for $121 million, or about 5 percent of the original cost."

That probably accounts for this unrelated item on the Washington wire: The Treasury Department reported that at the end of November there was only $610 million worth of $500 "and larger" denomination bills in circulation — the smallest total of paper currency of this denomination in circulation since 1940.

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RED PLANS, 1961

(Reprinted from New York DAILY NEWS)

THE NEWS receives an extraordinary two-page document from the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation, of St. Louis, entitled "Communist Master Plan for 1961."

This news release lists 15 major objectives of world Communism for the current year, as detected by the Mindszenty Foundation from Red sources. (The foundation itself is 100% anti-Red.)

W. Z. Foster

Here is a digest of what the Communists hope to accomplish this year in the United States:

They hope to seduce a lot of young Americans by means of propaganda and pornography circulated in schools and colleges; student and teacher exchanges with Communist countries, luring students into Red fronts, and inciting them to agitate for abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Particular stress is to be placed on—

ADMISSION OF RED CHINA

—to the United Nations, with the argument that it is "inevitable," and the United States should not veto it.

The local Reds intend to go on screaming for disarmament, so as to keep us indefinitely from resuming nuclear weapon tests while Russia most likely tests in secret.

Student riots are to be organized against the above-named House committee and the Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

Riots, Propaganda, Lies, Subversion

Americans are to be told repeatedly by Reds and their stooges that Chiang Kai-shek's outpost islands of Quemoy and Matsu are "indefensible" and Chiang should be forced to abandon them. Riots are to be organized when feasible to drive home this proposition.

The notion that a Red China-Soviet Russia break is in the cards is to be promoted as a means of blinding Americans to the over-all threat of world Communism.

Theft of the—

PANAMA CANAL

—either by the United Nations or by the Republic of Panama is to be urged, with the United States told that it would be only right to let the big ditch go.

The local Reds, according to the Mindszenty Foundation, intend to do everything they can to sour relations between the United States Government and the present governments of West Germany, France, Spain and Portugal.

Trade and "Culture"

U.S. trade with Soviet Russia and Red China is to be touted as something that will benefit us tremendously. Same as to those "cultural exchanges," in which Red countries get our culture and we get large delegations of their spies.

Lastly, the domestic Reds will try to sneak into U. S. anti-Communist organizations and cut down their effectiveness from within while their comrades smear them from without.

Nineteen sixty-one is yet young. We'd suggest that you keep this check-list of the things W. Z. Foster and Gus Hall and their American Communist slaves hope to do to your own, your native land as the year goes along.

We'd also suggest that you take note of what newspapers, magazines and TV and radio programs carry thinly disguised propaganda aimed at furthering these Communist plans for 1961, and that you squawk loudly whenever you detect such propaganda. Once you start looking for it, the quantity, skill and virulence of it may surprise you.

Aiding Own Downfall

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An interesting wire story a while back seems generally to have been overlooked. United Press International reported that the Ford Foundation had granted $97,600 to the University of California to finance the exchange of teachers between U.C. and universities in the Soviet Union during the current school year.

"The grant provides studying and living funds for up to 12 faculty members from U.C. and 12 from Moscow State University, the University of Leningrad and other Soviet institutions," said the UPI.

These Russian teachers are being given a forum for their propaganda on these shores. But it will be a one-way street. There are few professors that we know of, particularly in the state universities, who are able to explain the free enterprise system, the worth of Americanism based on the Declaration of Independence and the Ten Commandments. If there were such, they would not be sent by the state schools.

It is strange indeed that industry should finance its own destruction by subsidizing such as this so-called "cultural exchange."

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THURMOND BLASTS...

broader than the single one as might appear on first examination, for each of today's major political parties might well be pictured as either a "mulephant" or an "elemule," both being crossbreeds. Not only are the parties themselves similar, but the leadership is identical in kind, if not always in degree.****

Consider, for example, the issue of fiscal soundness and a balanced budget, a matter about which the public has been deluged with words in recent years. Both major political parties subscribe mightily to a "sound fiscal policy" and a balanced budget and accuse the other of fiscal irresponsibility and reckless spending. On this issue, both parties find it more expedient to treat the issue in isolation rather than in connection with specific spending proposals. As a result, huge and steadily increasing deficits are accumulated under the administration of whichever party is in power, either in Congress or the White House, or both. Thus, paradoxically with both parties superficially opposing deficit spending, the Democratic Administration, with a Republican Congress part of the time, managed in fiscal years 1947 through 1953 to run up an accrued deficit of $5.7 billion; and the Republican Administration, with a Democratic Congress part of the time, managed in fiscal years 1954 through 1960 to run up a deficit of about $18 billion. Is there any wonder that the public considers the "issue" rather remote? I accuse both parties of irresponsibility, and not just fiscal; for the proper context in which fiscal policy should be presented to the public is in connection with each and every spending proposal, as well as in connection with realistic appraisals of revenue expected and the sources from which it must come. An isolated approach is the height of irresponsibility.****

The doctrine of expediency, however, which is followed by our major political parties and the politicians and others who lead them, dictates that the relationship of fiscal policy to specific spending measures shall not be spotlighted, for this would necessitate an admission that the welfare state measures are not something for nothing, but costly services for which the taxpayer, in some generation, must pay dearly. Such an admission would puncture the whole balloon used to advertise and sell the welfare state and thereby necessitate a return to the consideration of issues in terms of their consistency with proven principles. This again would necessitate leadership through explanation and education, both of which are less suited to contemporaneous practices, and more difficult to sell, since they do not adapt themselves to the "Madison Avenue" or "slogan" approach....

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We recommend that in connection with this sound motion picture that you also obtain the slide film entitled "Communism on the Map" from the National Education Program, 815 E. Center St., Searcy, Arkansas at a cost of $42.50. "Communism on the Map" shows the history of the Communist conquest of the world and shows how the international Communist conspiracy is almost encircling the United States.

With these two films you, as an individual, or through your organization can help alert your friends and neighbors to the dangers posed by the Communist conspiracy at home and abroad.

Even if you haven't read any of the books or reports listed at the beginning of this article; if you will just take the time to see "Communism on the Map" and "Operation Abolition" you will be alerted sufficiently to the present danger of Communism so that you will be inspired to enlarge your knowledge of the Communist conspiracy in order to effectively become a freedom fighter for the preservation of the Republic of the United States.

* (Available from your Congressman or Senators)

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We are pleased to announce that the Library of West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, has just microfilmed all issues of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN since the first issue of January, 1955.

Mr. Robert F. Munn, Director of Libraries of West Virginia University writes:

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Uncle Sam Calls The Turn

"When one accepts a 'gift' from Washington, one gives up the free choice that states, as well as individuals, hold dear. When Uncle Sam puts up the money for a new suit, he not only decides what kind of suit it shall be but also picks the color of the tie."
--Portland (Ore.) OREGONIAN

YOUR MONEY-GO-ROUND

Tax Foundation offers this morsel for those who file their income tax returns early:

A recent report noted that the military buys about $17 billion worth of new equipment each year.

The report said that much of the material is sold as scrap because it is not needed, and that "altogether . . . in fiscal 1960, goods that cost $2.4 billion were sold to the public for $121 million, or about 5 percent of the original cost."

That probably accounts for this unrelated item on the Washington wire: The Treasury Department reported that at the end of November there was only $610 million worth of $500 "and larger" denomination bills in circulation — the smallest total of paper currency of this denomination in circulation since 1940.

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